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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]
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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. WE'RE GOING THE BEGIN THIS
7 MORNING'S MEETING. THIS MORNING, WE'RE GOING TO BE LED BY THE
8 REVEREND HARRY MORGAN MOSES, WHO IS THE SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR OF
9 SPIRITWORKS CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL LIVING, IN BURBANK. OUR
10 PLEDGE THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY EUTIQUEIANO PIÑEDA, JR. WHO
11 IS A MEMBER OF THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS IN LONG BEACH.
12 WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE STAND? REVEREND?

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14 **REV. HARRY MORGAN MOSES:** THANK YOU. LET'S BRING OUR ATTENTION
15 TO THAT WHICH IS THE ONE LIFE, THE ONE PRESENCE, AND THE ONE
16 POWER, THAT ONE LIFE THAT MOVES IN AND THROUGH AND AS ALL
17 CREATION, THAT BELONGS TO ALL PEOPLE. AND AS WE TURN IN THIS
18 MORNING TO HONOR THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TO HONOR THE
19 CITIZENS OF THE GREAT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THAT THIS COUNTY
20 MAY BE FILLED WITH THE VERY LIGHT OF THE ANGELS, BORN OF THE
21 NAME ANGELS, THAT THE HIGHEST GOOD FOR ALL OF THE CITIZENS
22 SHALL COME FORTH THROUGH THE WORK THAT IS DONE IN THIS DAY.
23 THAT THESE HONORABLE SOULS WHO GIVE OF THEMSELVES IN DIVINE
24 SERVICE SHALL BE BLESSED BY THEIR SERVICE AND A GREATER GOOD
25 SHALL COME INTO THEIR LIVES EVEN AS A GREATER GOOD COMES INTO



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1 ALL THE CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY THROUGH THE GOOD WORK THAT
2 THEY DO IN THIS DAY. FOR THIS PERFECT INTELLIGENCE, GUIDING,
3 GUARDING, DIRECTING AND PROTECTING EACH AND ALL FOR THE GREAT
4 LOVE THAT IS THIS CITY, FOR THE BEAUTY THAT IS EMANATING IN IT
5 ALL THROUGH THE COUNTY IN THIS DAY, WE ARE TRULY GRATEFUL.
6 THERE'S NOTHING ELSE FOR US TO DO, SIMPLY TO LET GO, TO LET
7 GOD, TO ALLOW IT TO BE. AND IN THE LETTING, FILLED WITH PRAISE
8 AND THANKSGIVING, TO SIMPLY SAY THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK
9 YOU. AND WE LET IT BE. AMEN. AND AMEN.

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11 **EUTIQUIANO PIÑEDA, JR.:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PLACE YOUR RIGHT
12 HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
13 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MS. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, IT'S A WELCOME TO
18 WELCOME PASTOR HARRY MORGAN MOSES HERE, WHO IS THE NATIONALLY
19 RECOGNIZED AUTHOR AND FOUNDER OF THE NEW THOUGHT CENTER IN SAN
20 DIEGO, CO-FOUNDER AND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE AFFILIATED NEW
21 THOUGHT NETWORK AND CO-FOUNDER OF NEW THOUGHT MINISTRIES OF
22 OREGON, AND FORMER SENIOR ADVISER OF THE EMERSON INSTITUTE,
23 WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS DOCTORATE. HE HAS SERVED AS THE VICE
24 PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OF NEW
25 THOUGHT BROADCASTING, WHICH IS A SPIRITUAL RADIO AND



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1 TELEVISION NETWORK. HE IS MARRIED AND HE HAS TWO CHILDREN. HE
2 WORKS, OFFICES ARE IN BURBANK, THE CHURCH IS IN BURBANK, AND
3 RESIDES IN TOPANGA CANYON. SO PASTOR, THANK YOU FOR COMING
4 DOWN. ALSO THE BROTHER OF TONY BELL, MY COMMUNICATIONS
5 DIRECTOR. [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, THANK YOU. WE WANT TO PRESENT THIS
10 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO EUTIQUEIANO PIÑEDA, JR., HE IS A
11 MEMBER OF THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS IN LONG BEACH. HE
12 SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY FROM 1974 TO 1997 ABOARD THE
13 U.S.S. ARCADIA. HE RECEIVED A NAVY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, A NAVY
14 COMMENDATION MEDAL, A NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, A NATIONAL
15 DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, A MERITORIOUS UNIT MEDAL, A BATTLE
16 EFFICIENCY MEDAL, AND A HUMANITARIAN MEDAL. MR. PIÑEDA LIVED
17 IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT FOR 18 YEARS AND CURRENTLY HE WORKS FOR
18 THE M.T.A. AS A TRAIN MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST. HE'S BEEN
19 MARRIED TO HIS WIFE, ERLINDA, FOR 32 YEARS AND THEY HAVE THREE
20 CHILDREN. SO WE'D LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME
21 OUT OF YOUR SCHEDULE TO JOIN US AND LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF
22 ALLEGIANCE. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY.
23 [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, BEFORE I ASK OUR EXECUTIVE
2 OFFICER TO CALL THE AGENDA, I'M GOING TO ASK SUPERVISOR KNABE,
3 WHO HAS LED THIS BOARD FOR THE PAST YEARS TO SHARE A FEW
4 WORDS.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** ARE WE LIVE? THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I'D LIKE TO
7 BEGIN JUST BY THANKING MY COLLEAGUES FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
8 SERVE ONCE AGAIN AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
9 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BUT ALSO I'D LIKE TO THANK SACHI
10 AND HER STAFF AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK
11 OVER THE PAST YEAR, AS WELL, AS THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND ALL
12 THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENT HEADS. I TRULY APPRECIATE THE
13 COOPERATION. IT WAS ALSO AT THIS FIRST MEETING A YEAR AGO THAT
14 WE WELCOMED SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AS OUR COLLEAGUE. IN HIS
15 SHORT TIME IN THE BOARD OBVIOUSLY WE WORK TOGETHER, ALL OF US,
16 TO MAKE MAJOR STRIDES IN REOPENING M.L.K. HOSPITAL. BUT I
17 WOULD ALSO BE REMISS IF I FAILED TO THANK MY STAFF, WHO NOT
18 ONLY CONTINUED TO WORK ON FOURTH DISTRICT PROJECTS BUT TOOK A
19 LEADERSHIP ROLE IN COORDINATING COUNTY-WIDE EFFORTS, AS WELL.
20 THERE WERE A LOT OF SMILES IN MY OFFICE THIS MORNING.

21 [LAUGHTER.] ALSO, TO A YOUNG MAN WHO HAS COORDINATED
22 EVERYTHING BEHIND THE SCENES FOR ME THE PAST YEAR, AND THAT'S
23 MY AGENDA DEPUTY, AARON NAVARAZ. HE HAS DONE A REMARKABLE JOB
24 AND IS REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO A FIVE-YEAR BREAK. HE CAN'T
25 WAIT TO COORDINATE THE NEXT COUNTY STARS BOARD PRESENTATION.



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1 AARON, THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH. OBVIOUSLY, BEING CHAIRMAN OF
2 THE BOARD, WE ALL HAVE A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITIES IN OUR OWN
3 DISTRICT. AND SO IT'S NOT AN EASY TASK TO TAKE OVER THE
4 CHAIRMANSHIP. AND I DO REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THE SUPPORT FROM
5 ALL THE VARIOUS COUNTY FAMILIES. LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AS WE ALL
6 KNOW, IS NOT IMMUNE TO THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS
7 FACING EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. WE HAVE BEEN FULLY IMPACTED
8 HERE BY THE RECESSION DURING THE PAST YEAR BUT WE HAVE STILL
9 SOMEHOW MANAGED TO PERSEVERE. IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE
10 FRUSTRATING PIECE ABOUT THIS IS WE SAW THIS COMING AND TRIED
11 TO BE PREPARED BY PUTTING MONEY ASIDE FOR A RAINY DAY FUND. WE
12 JUST DIDN'T EXPECT THE 100-YEAR FLOOD. BUT, YOU KNOW, THERE
13 WERE A LOT OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE PAST YEAR, IN LIGHT OF
14 EVERYTHING ELSE FROM EFFORTS FOR SAVING MONEY, EFFORTS IN
15 PROVIDING EVEN BETTER SERVICE TO OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS. WE'VE
16 LAUNCHED A NUMBER OF TECHNOLOGICAL ACHIEVEMENTS, PARTICULARLY
17 OUR E-RECORDING SYSTEM AND OUR SOLAR MAPPING PROGRAM. AS WAS
18 MENTIONED EARLIER, OBVIOUSLY A FEW WEEKS AGO WE HAD AN
19 HISTORIC MOMENT IN THIS COUNTY WHEN WE BEGIN THE BIG STEPS OF
20 REOPENING OUR COUNTY HOSPITAL, M.L.K., THAT'S SO CRITICAL TO
21 OUR SAFETY NET. THIS COUNTY RESPONDED TO THE LARGEST WILDFIRE
22 IN THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTY, WORKING IN THE BASINS AND THE
23 HILLS TO INSURE THAT WHEN IT RAINS NOW, IT WILL NOT BRING MORE
24 MISERY TO OUR ALREADY SCORCHED HILLS AND RESIDENTS. WE FOUND A
25 LITTLE CREATIVE WAY WITH THE HELP OF THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO



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1 USE A VERY NARROW POT OF STIMULUS MONEY IN ORDER TO CREATE
2 NEARLY 9,000 JOBS HERE IN OUR COUNTY. WHILE ENDLESS DEBATES IN
3 WASHINGTON AND OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY TO STOP JOB LOSS, WE
4 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE ACTUALLY CREATING JOBS AND NOW
5 BEING RECOGNIZED AS A NATIONAL MODEL. SO ALSO TO OUR UNION
6 PARTNERS. WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT THIS YEAR WITHOUT YOUR
7 COOPERATION AND SPIRIT OF COOPERATION. AS WE MENTIONED A FEW
8 MONTHS AGO, EVERY ONE OF OUR UNION PARTNERS AGREED TO A TWO-
9 YEAR EXTENSION OF THEIR CONTRACTS WITH NO PAY INCREASES OR
10 COST OF LIVING INCREASES. THAT'S ALMOST 90,000 OF OUR COUNTY
11 FAMILY EMPLOYEES SPREAD ACROSS 58 DIFFERENT UNIONS. SO WE
12 THANK THEM FOR THAT, AND THEY ALL KNOW THAT IN THE YEARS
13 AHEAD, THE YEAR AHEAD AND THE FEW YEARS AHEAD, THAT WE'RE ALL
14 IN THIS TOGETHER. BUT WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED A LOT, WE'VE ALSO HAD
15 A VERY DIFFICULT TIME THIS YEAR, AND PARTICULARLY OUR COUNTY
16 FIRE DEPARTMENT WITH THE TRAGIC DEATHS OF FIREFIGHTERS TED
17 HALL AND QUINONES ON AUGUST 30TH BATTLING THE STATION FIRE IN
18 THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS. SO WE ARE CLOSING OUT ONE YEAR AND
19 TURNING TOWARDS THE NEXT. WE ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE FINANCIAL
20 CHALLENGES AHEAD OF US US. WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER. I
21 WISH MY COLLEAGUE GLORIA MOLINA A GREAT JOURNEY THIS YEAR.
22 IT'S AN IMPORTANT JOB BEING CHAIR, BUT ONE THAT TAKES A LOT OF
23 SPIRIT OF COOPERATION AND BRIDGE BUILDING OVER THE 12 MONTHS.
24 SO WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO OUR ISSUES AND I
25 PLEDGE MY COOPERATION WITH YOU, MADAME CHAIR. AND THANK YOU



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1 ALL, MY COLLEAGUES, FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS CHAIRMAN
2 OF THE BOARD THIS PAST YEAR. GOD BLESS YOU ALL, THANKS.

3 [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR HIS
6 LEADERSHIP THROUGHOUT THIS PAST YEAR. I THINK THAT AS WE ALL
7 LOOK AT OUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS CHAIR, I MEAN, I WANT TO THANK
8 MY COLLEAGUES FOR THE OPPORTUNITY, BUT IT IS ALSO A TREMENDOUS
9 RESPONSIBILITY IN HOPEFULLY PROVIDING LEADERSHIP AS WE
10 CONTINUE TO GUIDE THROUGH THE MASSIVE ISSUES THAT WE UNDERTAKE
11 EVERY SINGLE WEEK. BELIEVE IT OR NOT, THERE ARE OVER 60 TO 80
12 ITEMS EVERY SINGLE WEEK THAT WE UNDERTAKE, DECISIONS THAT NEED
13 TO BE MADE THAT ARE VERY SIGNIFICANT AND IMPORTANT TO THE
14 WELL-BEING L COUNTY SO THAT LEADERSHIP ROLE IS ESSENTIAL. AND
15 I WANT TO THANK HIM FOR THE FINE JOB THAT HE DID THIS PAST
16 YEAR. AND SO THANK YOU SO MUCH. IT WAS VERY EFFICIENT. I THINK
17 WE ALL APPRECIATED YOUR LEADERSHIP AND HOW YOU MANAGED MANY OF
18 THE ISSUES BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR KNABE SAID PROBABLY THE
19 BIGGEST CHALLENGE THAT WE HAVE IN THE COMING YEAR IN PROVIDING
20 LEADERSHIP AND HOPEFULLY SOME GUIDANCE OVERALL IS HOW WE'RE
21 GOING TO PROCEED WITH THE KIND OF FISCAL CHALLENGES THAT WE
22 HAVE IN THE COMING YEAR. I CONTINUE TO GET COMMENTS FROM
23 VARIOUS PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AS WELL AS UP IN
24 SACRAMENTO AS TO WHY THIS COUNTY IS OPERATING SO DIFFERENTLY
25 FROM OTHER MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS WHEN WE ARE NOT HAVING THE



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1 ISSUE OF LAYOFFS, OF HUGE DEFICITS, AND CERTAINLY NOT
2 FURLOUGHING OUR EMPLOYEES. I THINK A LOT OF IT HAS BEEN THE
3 VERY COHESIVE COLLABORATION THAT WE HAVE HAD AS COLLEAGUES AND
4 WORKING AND INTERFACING WITH ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS IN
5 PROVIDING LEADERSHIP IN THAT AREA. I THINK THAT THE KIND OF
6 DECISIONS THAT WE'VE MADE THROUGHOUT THE YEARS ARE PAYING OFF
7 AT A TIME WHEN MANY OTHER MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS ARE HAVING A
8 GREAT DEAL OF PROBLEMS AND ISSUES. THE KIND OF
9 RESPONSIBILITIES THAT WE HAVE THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY ARE
10 UNBELIEVABLE. THE RANGE OF ISSUES IS JUST AMAZING. WHEN YOU
11 START OUTLINING ALL OF THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND
12 DECISIONS THAT WE NEED TO UNDERTAKE. BUT PROVIDING THE
13 RESOURCES TO THOSE DEPARTMENTS AND THOSE ISSUES IS ESSENTIALLY
14 THE JOB OF THE FIVE SUPERVISORS HERE, AND SO MAKING THE
15 APPROPRIATE DECISIONS. AND SO I ALWAYS APPLAUDED AND I
16 CONGRATULATE MY COLLEAGUES FOR THE KIND OF DECISIONS THAT
17 WE'VE MADE IN THE PAST. THE MOST DIFFICULT DECISIONS PROBABLY
18 LIE BEFORE US IN THE COMING YEAR. WE ARE VERY UNSURE WITH THE
19 HUGE DEFICIT THAT WE SEE IN SACRAMENTO AS TO THE KIND OF
20 RESPONSIBILITIES THAT THEY'RE GOING TO PASS ON TO US WITH
21 PROBABLY NOT THE APPROPRIATE DOLLARS TO CARRY OUT THAT KIND OF
22 WORK. BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THE ISSUES THAT WE UNDERTAKE HERE
23 IN L.A. COUNTY ALWAYS REQUIRE A GREAT DEAL OF RESOURCES IN
24 ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THE EMPLOYEES AND THE PROGRAMS
25 AND SO ON TO CARRY OUT THE GOOD WORK THAT WE DO. SO WE ARE



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1 GOING TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP, HOPEFULLY, TO SACRAMENTO AS TO
2 HOW TO RESOLVE ITS ISSUES WITHOUT TAKING AN AXE TO OUR BUDGET.
3 BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TO HAVE ENOUGH CHALLENGES WITHIN OUR OWN
4 FRAMEWORK OF RESOURCES. WE KNOW THAT OUR SALES TAX HAVE GONE
5 DOWN, WE KNOW PROPERTY TAXES HAVE GONE DOWN AS WELL AS OTHER
6 KINDS OF APPROPRIATIONS THAT WE HAVE BEEN RELYING ON,
7 PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA OF PUBLIC SAFETY. SO THE DECISIONS
8 THAT THIS BOARD MAKES ARE GOING TO BE VERY ESSENTIAL TO THE
9 WELL-BEING OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY. SO I HOPE THAT WE CAN
10 CONTINUE IN THAT COLLABORATIVE FASHION TO WORK TOGETHER TO
11 MEET THOSE KINDS OF CHALLENGES. THE PROCESS THAT WE HAVE BEEN
12 UNDERTAKING FOR THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS HAS BEEN A CHALLENGE
13 FOR ALL OF US, AS WELL. BUT I THINK THAT ONE OF THE THINGS
14 THAT I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DO, AS I SAID, THERE
15 WERE SO MANY DECISIONS THAT NEED TO BE MADE, IS ENSURING THAT
16 MY COLLEAGUES HAVE ALL OF THE INFORMATION THAT THEY NEED
17 BEFORE THE ESSENTIAL DECISIONS OF THE COUNTY ARE MADE. SO
18 ADHERING TO THE TWO-WEEK PREVIEW ON ALL OF THOSE ISSUES IS
19 SOMETHING I'M GOING TO BE VERY INSISTENT ON, THAT ALL OF US
20 ARE GOING TO GET ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS THAT WE HAVE ABOUT
21 THESE ISSUES AS THEY ARE VERY SIGNIFICANT AND IMPORTANT. WHILE
22 THERE'S ALWAYS EMERGENCIES, WE'LL RESPECT THOSE, BUT FOR THE
23 MOST PART HOPEFULLY WE ARE GETTING THE KIND OF INFORMATION
24 THAT WE NEED BEFORE THESE DECISIONS ARE MADE. I THINK IT'S
25 ESSENTIAL TO THE WELL-BEING OF HOW WE CARRY OUT OUR WORK. FOR



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1 MYSELF, AS YOU KNOW, FOR MY OWN PERSONAL GOAL, THERE ARE SO
2 MANY ISSUES ALWAYS GOING ON. I THINK THAT WE ALL HAVE A SERIES
3 OF RESPONSIBILITIES IN PUBLIC SAFETY AND CHILDREN, IN MANY OF
4 THE AREAS THAT ARE VERY IMPORTANT AND CHALLENGING TO MANY OF
5 THE CONSTITUENTS THAT WE REPRESENT. BUT OVERALL, I THINK THE
6 ISSUE OF RISK MANAGEMENT HAS BEEN A VERY SIGNIFICANT ONE.
7 EVERY SINGLE DOLLAR THAT WE ARE HAVING TO PAY OUT IN LAWSUITS
8 AND LIABILITY RESPONSIBILITIES ARE DOLLARS THAT ARE TAKING
9 AWAY THE WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN, OF OUR PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES,
10 AND MANY, MANY OTHERS. SO AS WE LOOK AT THIS YEAR, I AM
11 HOPEFUL THAT WITH THE WORK THAT IS GOING TO BE DONE IN VARIOUS
12 AREAS OF THE DEPARTMENT IN THE AREA OF RISK MANAGEMENT, THAT
13 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP -- I'M GOING TO
14 PUSH THOSE DEPARTMENTS TO BE MUCH MORE PROACTIVE IN THIS WHOLE
15 AREA. AND HOPEFULLY I DON'T THINK WE'RE GOING TO SEE SAVINGS
16 IN THE FIRST YEAR OR ANY OF THE -- BUT AGAIN, I THINK WE HAVE
17 A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES TO BE MUCH MORE EFFECTIVE IN THE WHOLE
18 AREA OF RISK MANAGEMENT, AND HOPEFULLY PROVIDING THE KIND OF
19 LEADERSHIP TO MANY OF OUR EMPLOYEES. THE MAJORITY OF OUR
20 EMPLOYEES ARE VERY SOLID, VERY EFFECTIVE, CARING AND ARE VERY
21 INTERESTED IN THE AREA OF PUBLIC SERVICE. BUT WE DO HAVE THOSE
22 SITUATIONS FROM TIME TO TIME WITH THE MISDEEDS OF A FEW THAT
23 REALLY PAINT THE PICTURE OF ALL OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND WE
24 DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN, EITHER. SO A LOT OF IT IS GOING TO
25 BE BY MAKING SURE THAT OUR DEPARTMENTS OVERALL ARE REVIEWING



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1 AND LOOKING AT ALL OF THOSE ISSUES EFFECTIVELY THAT MANY TIMES
2 LEAD TO PROBLEMS, WORKFORCE PROBLEMS, ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS
3 AS FAR AS THE WORKPLACE, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY AT THE END OF
4 THE DAY, VARIOUS LAWSUITS. SO THAT FOR ME IS A SINGULAR GOAL
5 THAT I HOPE TO FOLLOW. OVERALL, I THINK THAT IF WE CONTINUE IN
6 THE FASHION THAT WE HAVE HAD THROUGHOUT THE PAST YEARS, WE
7 WILL SURVIVE THIS ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE COMING YEAR. THERE
8 ARE TOUGH DECISIONS THAT'LL BE MADE. DEBATE IS ALWAYS HEALTHY.
9 I THINK IT LEADS TO MORE KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION. THERE'S
10 NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT. BUT HOPEFULLY BUILDING CONSENSUS AND
11 BEING COLLABORATIVE WITH ONE ANOTHER IS HOPEFULLY ONE OF THE
12 GOALS THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACHIEVE IN ORDER TO MAKE THE
13 BEST DECISIONS FOR L.A. COUNTY. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO MY YEAR.
14 AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE CHALLENGES THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US.
15 AND HOPEFULLY WORKING TOGETHER TO GET THOSE RESOLUTIONS. SO
16 THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. AT THIS POINT IN TIME I'M GOING
17 TO ASK MY COLLEAGUES FOR NOMINATIONS. BECAUSE AT THIS TIME IT
18 IS ALSO TRADITION THAT WE NOMINATE OUR CHAIR PRO TEM, WHO
19 LATER FOLLOWS IN THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHAIRING OUR BOARD.
20 SO I OPEN IT UP FOR NOMINATIONS.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES SIR.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD BE HONORED TO NOMINATE OUR LONGEST-SERVING
2 MEMBER, MR. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH, AS CHAIRMAN PRO TEM.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED.
5 AND SO OBVIOUSLY THERE IS NO OBJECTION. CONGRATULATIONS,
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR LEADERSHIP.
7 THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] NOW WITH ALL THAT BEHIND US,
8 WE ARE READY TO CALL OUR AGENDA. I'M GOING TO CALL THE
9 EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
12 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
13 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANITATION DISTRICT,
14 ITEMS SD-1 THROUGH SD-4.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
17 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION,
18 SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY
21 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 3-D. ON ITEM 1-D,
22 THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
23 ITEM. ITEMS 2-D AND 3-D ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THOSE ITEMS ARE MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
3 IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF
6 THE HOUSING AUTHORITY. ITEM 1-H.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
9 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC WORKS
12 FINANCING AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-F. AND ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR
13 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
14 DECEMBER 15TH, 2009.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5.
19 ITEM NO. 1, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
20 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 15TH, 2009.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 3, ON SANITATION DISTRICT NO.
25 9, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WILL ABSTAIN FROM VOTING ON THIS



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1 APPOINTMENT. ALSO, ON SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 17 AND THE
2 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS, SUPERVISOR
3 ANTONOVICH WILL ABSTAIN FROM VOTING ON THESE APPOINTMENTS. THE
4 REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,
7 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE IS NO
8 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR? CAN I GO BACK TO ITEM 1-F AND
11 ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION?

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHICH ONE?

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK IT'S 1-F?

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 1-F, WHICH IS?

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** PUBLIC WORKS FINANCING AUTHORITY.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO I DON'T HAVE THE BREAKDOWN ON
22 THAT ONE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I BELIEVE THERE IS A TIME ISSUE ON THAT. MR.
2 FUJIOKA, IS THAT CORRECT? 1-F, AND IT RELATES TO NO. 9. LET ME
3 MOVE TO RECONSIDER AND THEN WE CAN STRAIGHTEN IT OUT.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. THIS IS ON THE PUBLIC WORKS
6 FINANCING?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT'S ON THE LOAN FOR THE OPERA PROGRAM OVER AT
11 THE MUSIC CENTER. IF WE CAN HAVE A DISCUSSION ON IT TODAY. WE
12 HAVE STEVE ROUNTREE COMING. WE ALSO HAVE OUR STAFF. STEVE CAN
13 SPEAK TO THE NEED FOR THE URGENCY FOR THIS REQUEST.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THEN WHY DON'T WE HOLD THAT
16 ITEM? SO WE WILL ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THAT ITEM. WELL,
17 WE DON'T NEED TO DO THAT BECAUSE WE JUST CONTINUED IT, RIGHT?

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE DID CONTINUE, BUT WE DO NEED
20 RECONSIDERATION, WE WILL HOLD IT FOR TODAY.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S MY MOTION.

23



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED
2 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ON
3 RECONSIDERATION.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS IT AND THEN CONTINUE IT?

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO DECIDE.

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** DISCUSS FIRST.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT NOW IT'S ON OUR AGENDA.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE ON PAGE 9, JUST BEGINNING THE
14 CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 6 THROUGH 44. ON ITEM NO. 9,
15 SUPERVISOR -- WELL THAT'S THE ITEM THAT WE WILL HOLD.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE'LL HOLD THAT ITEM.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT. ON AGENDA ITEM NO. 11, AS
20 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN
21 AND FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
22 WEEK TO DECEMBER 15TH, 2009. ON ITEM NO. 12, THIS INCLUDES THE
23 REVISIONS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO.
24 13, THERE IS A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
25 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 20, THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE



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1 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 23, SUPERVISOR MOLINA
2 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 25, SUPERVISOR
3 KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 32, THERE'S
4 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON
5 ITEM NO. 34, THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
6 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 37, THIS IS A THREE-VOTE NOT A
7 FOUR-VOTE MATTER AS POSTED ON THE AGENDA.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 37. ON ITEM NO. 38, SUPERVISOR KNABE
12 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND ON ITEM NO. 44, AS
13 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
14 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO
15 JANUARY 12TH, 2010. HOWEVER, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF
16 THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL HOLD THAT ITEM.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
21 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WITH NOTING THE HOLDS AND THE
24 ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE ON ITEM 11, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR



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1 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THERE IS NO
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** WE DID HOLD 44, RIGHT?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES WE DID.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE NOW ON PAGE 26, DISCUSSION ITEMS.
9 ITEMS 45 THROUGH 47. ON ITEM NO. 45, WE WILL HOLD FOR A
10 DISCUSSION. ON ITEMS NO. 46 AND 47, WE WILL HOLD FOR A PUBLIC
11 HEARING. MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE
12 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
13 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ON ITEM NO. 48-A,
14 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THAT
15 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
16 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON ITEM NO. 45, I WAS THE ONE THAT HELD
19 THAT ITEM FOR A WEEK. BUT I AM ACCEPTING RECEIVING AND FILING
20 IT. SO IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, ON ITEM NO. 45, WE CAN
21 PROCEED TO RECEIVE AND FILE. ALL RIGHT? ALL RIGHT. SO THAT
22 COMPLETES READING OF THE AGENDA. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
23 YOU'RE UP FIRST. PRESENTATIONS.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I'D LIKE TO ASK
2 KARL TSO AND DEBORAH AVA TO COME FORWARD. MEMBERS OF THE
3 BOARD, MADAME CHAIR, ON OCTOBER 23RD OF THIS YEAR, LOCAL
4 TOPANGA RESIDENTS, KARL TSO AND DEBORAH AVA, WHO HAD RECENTLY
5 COMPLETED THE LOST HILLS SHERIFF STATION SPONSORED TRAINING
6 SESSION ON HAM RADIO PROGRAMMING FOR NEW RADIO OPERATORS, WERE
7 ATTENDING A SCOUTING EVENT AT EMERALD BAY ON CATALINA ISLAND
8 WITH THEIR SONS. THAT EVENING AS THEY WERE CLIMBING A HILL TO
9 SEE THE VIEW AND CHECK OUT THE CATALINA HAM RADIO REPEATER,
10 THEY HEARD MOANING FROM BELOW. AND UPON INVESTIGATION, SPOTTED
11 A 61-YEAR-OLD MAN WHO HAD FALLEN 48 FEET TO THE ROCKS BELOW,
12 BLEEDING AND SEVERELY INJURED, WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE
13 MULTIPLE FRACTURES. THEY HURRIED BACK TOWARD THE CAMP, ASKING
14 COUNSELORS TO CALL 911, WHILE THEY UTILIZED THEIR HAM RADIOS
15 TO CONTACT OTHER MAINLAND HAM OPERATORS TO SUMMON ADDITIONAL
16 EMERGENCY RESOURCES, INCLUDING LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE
17 DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL, WHO EVENTUALLY LOCATED THE INJURED MAN
18 AND AIR LIFTED HIM TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL IN LONG BEACH. AS
19 MEMBERS OF THE TOPANGA DISASTER RADIO TEAM WITHIN THE TOPANGA
20 COALITION FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, KARL TSO AND DEBORAH AVA
21 EXEMPLIFIED HOW DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS CAN HELP OTHERS AND SAVE
22 LIVES IN AN EMERGENCY. AND THEIR ACTIONS THAT NIGHT SHOWCASE
23 THE TRUE QUALITIES OF GOOD SAMARITANS DRAWING ON THEIR UNIQUE
24 SKILLS TO HELP OTHERS AND INSPIRING ALL RESIDENTS TO JOIN
25 THEIR OWN COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND COMMUNICATIONS



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1 NETWORK. SO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, KARL AND DEBORAH, WANTED
2 TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO HIGHLY COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR
3 SELFLESS ACT OF BRAVERY AND LEVEL HEADEDNESS IN HELPING TO
4 RESCUE AN INJURED FELLOW CITIZEN AND WISH YOU THE BEST WISHES
5 FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS IN ALL YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS. THIS IS
6 THE BENEFIT, THE DIVIDEND, THAT WE GET FROM MANY OF OUR
7 EMERGENCY PROGRAMS ALL OVER THE COUNTY, THE TRAINING THAT OUR
8 COUNTY, FIRE AND SHERIFF'S PEOPLE PROVIDE FOR CITIZENS. YOU
9 NEVER KNOW WHEN THE DIVIDEND WILL PAY OFF. IT PAID OFF FOR
10 THIS 61-YEAR-OLD MAN WHO IS ALIVE TODAY BECAUSE OF THE
11 TRAINING THAT KARL AND DEBORAH GAVE, AND THEN ACTING ON THAT
12 TRAINING. WE WANT TO THANK YOU AND WISH YOU WELL. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **KARL TSO:** DEBORAH AND I FEEL VERY FORTUNATE THAT WE WERE
15 THERE. AGAIN, AS ZEV'S SAYING, THE PREPAREDNESS REALLY DOES
16 PAY OFF. WE'RE VERY NEW AT THIS AND ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO BE
17 INVOLVED. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR
22 PRESENTATIONS?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
25 THIS MICROPHONE IS NOT WORKING.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S SEE, HOW DO WE PUT THIS
3 ON? OKAY.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** SOMEONE MAY WANT TO LOOK AT THAT MICROPHONE RIGHT
6 THERE. TODAY, WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE FIVE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
7 THAT WERE HONORED THIS YEAR BY C.S.A.C., WHICH IS THE
8 CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES. I'D LIKE TO ASK OUR
9 C.E.O., MR. FUJIOKA, TO JOIN ME UP HERE FOR THIS PRESENTATION.
10 C.S.A.C. SELECTS ITS CHALLENGE AND MERIT AWARD WINNERS BASED
11 ON DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP, INNOVATION, COLLABORATION,
12 CREATIVITY, EFFECTIVENESS, AND RESOURCEFULNESS. THESE FIVE
13 PROJECTS THAT WE'RE GOING TO INTRODUCE MET THAT CRITERIA AND
14 ALSO SERVE AS MODELS FOR OTHER COUNTIES. FIRST OF ALL, I'M
15 GOING TO ASK OUR REGISTRAR-RECORDER, MR. DEAN LOGAN, TO JOIN
16 ME. HE AND HIS STAFF RECEIVED ONE OF THE TOP AWARDS GIVEN BY
17 C.S.A.C., THE CHALLENGE AWARD, RECOGNIZING THEIR VOTERS WITH
18 SPECIFIC NEEDS SENSITIVITY TRAINING VIDEO. I CAN'T SAY THAT
19 TOO FAST. THE VIDEO PREPARES ELECTION WORKERS FOR EVERY
20 POSSIBLE SCENARIO AT THE POLLING STATION. IT TRAINS WORKERS
21 HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH VOTERS WHO HAVE VERY UNIQUE NEEDS AND
22 ALSO PROVIDES DO'S AND DON'TS FOR HELPING PEOPLE WITH
23 DISABILITIES. SO CONGRATULATIONS, DEAN, TO YOU AND YOUR STAFF
24 FOR A GREAT JOB, AND YOUR CHALLENGE AWARD. OH, YOU GOT THE
25 WHOLE TEAM HERE. ALL RIGHT. HERE WE GO. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT WE



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1 HAVE A MERIT AWARD RECIPIENT. I'M GOING TO ASK PHILIP BROWNING
2 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. THEY WERE
3 RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR APPEALS AND STATE HEARINGS VIDEO. THIS
4 WAS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF REQUESTS FOR HEARINGS THAT COME
5 FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE DEPARTMENT CREATED A VERY
6 INFORMATIVE YET INNOVATIVE VIDEO TO HELP OUR ELIGIBILITY AND
7 GAME WORKERS. THEY ARE NOW BETTER PREPARED TO PROVIDE CLIENTS
8 WITH COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION ON DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS AND HOW
9 TO APPLY FOR SERVICE. SO WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AND MR. PHILIP BROWNING.
11 WOW. BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]
12 CONGRATULATIONS. NEXT WE HAVE PASTOR HERRERA AND HIS TEAM IN
13 THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS. THEY LAUNCHED THE
14 FORECLOSURE PREVENTION PROJECT. THIS PROGRAM WAS DEVELOPED IN
15 RESPONSE TO THE FORECLOSURE CRISIS THAT WE HAD THAT IS
16 AFFECTING BOTH HOMEOWNERS AND RENTERS. DEPARTMENT STAFF
17 QUICKLY CREATED PROCEDURES TO HELP CONSUMERS, MANY OF WHOM ARE
18 RENTERS, WHO WERE BEING EVICTED. SO WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE
19 PASTOR AND HIS STAFF. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. NEXT WE HAVE THE
20 LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT. THEY CREATED THE JUROR ONLINE
21 ORIENTATION. THIS PROGRAM WAS TO IMPROVE JUROR SERVICES AND
22 STREAMLINE JUROR PROCESSING. GLORIA GOMEZ AND HER TEAM HANDLE
23 ABOUT 10,000 JURORS ON ANY GIVEN DAY. THIS ONLINE ORIENTATION
24 PREPARES JURORS TO IMMEDIATELY SERVE ON A CASE, MAKING COURT
25 OPERATIONS MORE EFFICIENT. CONGRATULATIONS. AND AS A JUROR



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1 THIS YEAR, I GOT TO SEE THE VIDEO. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.]
2 CAN'T HIDE NOW. CAN'T HIDE. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. NEXT, I'M
3 NOT SURE IF THEY'RE HERE, THEY'RE PROBABLY OUT WORKING BECAUSE
4 THEY'VE BEEN VERY, VERY BUSY THE LAST FEW DAYS AND DOING A
5 GREAT JOB IN OUR COUNTY. GAIL FARBER AND HER STAFF AT PUBLIC
6 WORKS WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL THEIR EMPLOYEES KNEW ABOUT
7 PROMOTIONAL AND LATERAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES. THEY CREATED THE
8 ONLINE JOB TRACK SYSTEM. IT WAS PLACED ON THE DEPARTMENT'S
9 INTRANET SYSTEM SITE. IT INCLUDES DETAILED INFORMATION SUCH AS
10 EXAM TITLE TYPE NUMBER, JOB BULLETIN DETAILS, APPLICATION
11 FILING DATES. SO, AGAIN, A MERIT AWARD FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
12 PUBLIC WORKS. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] ALSO I'D LIKE TO
13 ADD TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO MAKE SURE YOU PASS
14 ON TO GAIL OUR APPRECIATION FOR YOUR DILIGENCE OVER THE LAST
15 COUPLE DAYS WITH THE STORMS AND PARTICULARLY FIRE AREAS IN OUR
16 VARIOUS DISTRICTS. PUBLIC WORKS IS DOING A GREAT JOB. THANK
17 YOU. THAT'S MY PRESENTATION, MADAME CHAIR.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. NEXT WE HAVE
20 FOR PRESENTATIONS, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A MUSICAL
23 PRESENTATION BY AN OUTSTANDING CHORAL GROUP. MICHAEL GRAY IS
24 THE CHOIR MASTER FOR SOUTH PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL, THE TIGERS.
25 AND HIS TALENTED YOUNG PERFORMERS ARE FROM SOUTH PASADENA HIGH



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1 SCHOOL. AND THEY'LL BE SINGING THE CHRISTMAS CAROL AND GETTING
2 BETTER ALL THE TIME BY THE BEATLES. A COLLEAGUE, A CONSTITUENT
3 OF MINE AND AN EMPLOYEE MY NEIGHBOR HERE, JOSEPH CHARNEY'S
4 TWIN CHILDREN, SARAH AND BENJAMIN, ARE PART OF THIS CHOIR. SO
5 WE WELCOME THEM TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND ON BEHALF OF THE
6 THIRD AND FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, WE LOOK FORWARD TO
7 HEARING OUR FRIENDS' CHILDREN SING, ALONG WITH THE REST OF OUR
8 CONSTITUENTS SING.

9

10 **SINGERS:** IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER, FROSTY WINDS MADE MOAN, EARTH
11 STOOD HARD AS HARD AS IRON, WATER LIKE A STONE; SNOW HAD
12 FALLEN. SNOW ON SNOW. SNOW ON SNOW. IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER,
13 LONG AGO. ANGELS AND ARCHANGELS MAY HAVE GATHERED THERE.
14 CHERUBIM AND SERAPHIM THROGLED THE AIR. ONLY A MOTHER IN HER
15 MAIDEN BLISS, WORSHIPPED HER BELOVED WITH A KISS. WHAT CAN I
16 GIVE HIM, POOR AS I AM? IF I WERE A SHEPHERD, I WOULD BRING A
17 LAMB. IF I WERE A WISE MAN, I WOULD DO MY PART. YET WHAT CAN I
18 GIVE HIM, GIVE MY HEART. [APPLAUSE.] DO, DO, DO, I USED TO BE
19 MAD IN MY SCHOOL. THE TEACHERS WHO TAUGHT ME WEREN'T COOL.
20 YOU'RE HOLDING ME DOWN, TURNING ME AROUND. FILLING ME UP WITH
21 YOUR RULES. I'VE GOT TO ADMIT, IT'S GETTING BETTER, A LITTLE
22 BETTER ALL THE TIME. I HAVE TO ADMIT IT'S GETTING BETTER, A
23 LITTLE BETTER SINCE YOU'VE BEEN MINE. ME USED TO BE ANGRY
24 YOUNG MAN. ME HIDING ME HEAD IN THE SAND. YOU GAVE ME THE
25 WORD, I FINALLY HEARD. I'M DOING THE BEST THAT I CAN. I'VE GOT



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1 TO ADMIT IT'S GETTING BETTER, A LITTLE BETTER ALL THE TIME. I
2 HAVE TO ADMIT IT'S GETTING BETTER, A LITTLE BETTER, SINCE
3 YOU'VE BEEN MINE. GETTING SO MUCH BETTER ALL THE TIME. IT'S
4 GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME. BETTER, BETTER, BETTER. IT'S
5 GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME. BETTER, BETTER, BETTER. I USED TO
6 BE CRUEL TO MY WOMAN, I BEAT HER AND KEPT HER APART FROM THE
7 THINGS THAT SHE LOVED. MAN, I WAS MEAN. BUT I'M CHANGING MY
8 SCENE. AND I'M DOING THE BEST THAT I CAN. I'VE TO ADMIT, IT'S
9 GETTING BETTER. GOT TO ADMIT IT'S GETTING BETTER. I'VE GOT TO
10 ADMIT, IT'S GETTING BETTER. I'VE GOT TO ADMIT, IT'S GETTING
11 BETTER. I'VE GOT TO ADMIT IT'S GETTING BETTER, A LITTLE BETTER
12 ALL THE TIME. YES, I ADMIT IT'S GETTING BETTER. A LITTLE
13 BETTER, SINCE YOU'VE BEEN MINE. GETTING SO MUCH BETTER ALL THE
14 TIME. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH, STEP THERE WE'LL DO A PHOTO. MICHAEL
17 GRAY, THE CHOIR MASTER, WE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU THIS
18 PROCLAMATION. AND WE APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP THAT YOU HAVE
19 PROVIDED SOUTH PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR. AND WE CAN SEE BY
20 THEIR PROFESSIONALISM THAT YOU'VE DONE A SUPERB JOB AND YOU'VE
21 HAD SUPERB STUDENTS AT A SUPERB SCHOOL, GOD BLESS YOU AND
22 MERRY CHRISTMAS.

23

24 **MICHAEL GRAY:** THANK YOU, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU CAN SAY A COUPLE WORDS.

2

3 **MICHAEL GRAY:** THIS WAS A BIT OF A GIFT FOR THE COUNTY
4 SUPERVISORS. YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN WORKING VERY, VERY HARD FOR A
5 LONG TIME. WE REALLY APPRECIATE IT. WE HOPE THAT AS THINGS GET
6 BETTER, WE CAN THANK YOU FOR THAT HAPPENING. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYBODY. HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE RUSSELL LEE, WHO
11 HAS DONE AN INCREDIBLE JOB AS THE FOUNDER OF HERO APPRECIATION
12 NETWORK. THEY HAVE RAISED MORE THAN \$100,000 FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
13 TO LOCAL STUDENTS WHILE PREVENTING LITERALLY TONS OF
14 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FROM ENTERING OUR
15 LANDFILLS THROUGH THE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING OF EXPENDED
16 INKJET AND TONER CARTRIDGES. THEY HAVE DONE AN INCREDIBLE JOB
17 TO REMEMBER THE SACRIFICES OF THE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE
18 SERVED OUR NATION, EXPANDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR AT-
19 RISK YOUTH. A NONPROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION, THE NETWORK
20 AWARDS ACADEMIC AND VOCATIONAL TRADE SCHOLARSHIPS IN THE NAME
21 OF A FALLEN HERO TO A WORTHY AT-RISK YOUTH. THEY WORK WITH OUR
22 BUSINESS SIDE, OUR CORPORATIONS, GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, SMALL
23 BUSINESSES, AND INDIVIDUALS TO KEEP OUR CITIES GREEN, FIGHT
24 VIOLENT STREET CRIME, EDUCATE OUR YOUTH, AND REMIND THEM OF
25 THE SACRIFICES OF THOSE FALLEN WHO SERVED IN THE MILITARY



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1 DEFENDING OUR LIBERTIES TO HAVE A SCHOLARSHIP IN THEIR NAME
2 PRESENTED TO THEM. SO AT THIS TIME CONGRATULATIONS, RUSSELL.

3

4 **RUSSELL LEE:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MADAME PRESIDENT
5 AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND ESPECIALLY I'D LIKE TO THANK
6 SUPERVISOR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY.
7 FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE
8 PARTICIPANTS IN THE PROGRAM OF THE HERO APPRECIATION NETWORK,
9 SUCH AS THE PRATT & WHITNEY ROCKETDYNE COMPANY, THE EDISON
10 COMPANY, THE HAMMOND TOYOTA COMPANY AND THE CHURCHES, THE
11 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN PARTICIPATING WITH
12 US. THIS YEAR, NOT ONLY DID WE START WITH \$20,000, BUT NOW WE
13 HAVE OVER \$100,000 THAT WILL BE GOING TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN
14 DIFFERENT SCHOOLS. WE HAVE PRESENTATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE
15 TO US AND PROPOSALS FROM U.S.C., FROM L.A.C.C.D. AND C.S.U.N.,
16 OF WHICH THEY PLAN ON PLACING ON TOP OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS THAT
17 WE HAVE, WE GIVE \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIPS, AND ON TOP OF THAT, THEY
18 WILL MATCH THOSE FUNDS. SO THAT WOULD BE A YOUNG PERSON WOULD
19 RECEIVE A \$10,000 SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE HERO APPRECIATION
20 NETWORK IN THE NAME OF FALLEN HEROES FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT,
21 MILITARY AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

22 [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE A FOUR-MONTH OLD LITTLE KITTEN,
25 SOPHIA, LOOKING FOR A HOME. SHE HAS HER LITTLE PINK RIBBON ON.



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1 YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644 IF YOU'D LIKE TO ADOPT HER LISTENING
2 AT HOME. ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE OR ANYBODY FROM SOUTH
3 PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL? LOOKS LIKE A TIGER, YOU KNOW. LITTLE
4 BABY MASCOT? SHE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. VERY CALM. DO YOU SEE
5 ANYBODY OUT THERE YOU LOVE, HUH? CHECK EVERYBODY OUT? THANK
6 YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR
9 PRESENTATIONS.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. AND I'M HONORED
12 TO HAVE THE OCCASION TO DECLARE HUMAN RIGHTS DAY. AND WE CALL
13 FORWARD THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS
14 COMMISSION AS WELL AS THE PRESIDENT, BOTH ROBIN TOMA AND
15 SANDRA THOMAS RESPECTIVELY. TODAY WE PROCLAIM DECEMBER 10 AS
16 HUMAN RIGHTS DAY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE HOLD
17 UP THE ASPIRATION THAT HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL RESIDENTS WILL BE
18 RECOGNIZED AND RESPECTED REGARDLESS OF RACE, CREED, COLOR,
19 NATIONAL ORIGIN OR ANY OTHER IMMUTABLE DIFFERENCE. THE MOST
20 RECENT REPORT OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION DETAILS THE
21 PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE; AND, YET, IT HAS TO BE ASSERTED
22 THAT THERE IS MUCH WORK YET TO BE DONE. THERE WERE
23 SPECIFICALLY 728 HATE CRIMES REPORTED IN THE COUNTY IN 2008,
24 SOME 35 FEWER THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR. THAT DECLINE OF
25 APPROXIMATELY 44 PERCENT IS NOTEWORTHY. IT SHOULD BE NOTED



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1 THAT RACIAL, ETHNIC AND NATIONAL ORIGIN-RELATED HATE CRIMES,
2 OR THE LARGEST CATEGORY OF HATE CRIMES, HAS DECREASED IN AN
3 ARGUABLE, SIZABLE MANNER; THAT IS, 16 PERCENT WHEN COMPARED TO
4 LAST YEAR OR THE PREVIOUS YEAR. AND WHILE CRIMES TARGETING
5 CERTAIN ETHNIC GROUPS CONTINUE TO DECREASE, IT IS WORTH NOTING
6 THAT THERE ARE CERTAIN PROBLEMS THAT ARE STILL ANOMALOUS, TO
7 SOME EXTENT, THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. AFRICAN-AMERICANS
8 REMAIN THE LARGEST RACIAL GROUP THAT'S TARGETED. SOME 61
9 PERCENT OF ALL THOSE HATE CRIMES HAPPEN TO BE AFRICAN-
10 AMERICANS, WHILE THEY REPRESENT ONLY 9 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY'S
11 POPULATION. IT'S WORTH NOTING THAT LATINOS CONTINUE TO BE THE
12 SECOND LARGEST GROUP OF HATE CRIME VICTIMS AND NOTABLY THE
13 NUMBER OF ANTI-LATINO CRIMES REMAINED VIRTUALLY UNCHANGED FROM
14 THE PREVIOUS YEARS. CRIMES TARGETING OTHER RACIAL GROUPS,
15 INCLUDING ASIANS, WHITES, MIDDLE EASTERNERS, AND ARMENIANS,
16 DID DROP RATHER SIGNIFICANTLY. BUT WHILE RACIAL HATE CRIMES
17 DROPPED, SEXUAL ORIENTATION CRIMES DID NOT. RUNNING COUNTER TO
18 THE OVERALL DECREASE, HOMOPHOBIC CRIMES ACTUALLY ROSE SOME 21
19 PERCENT IN THE YEAR 2008. AND AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, GAY MEN
20 AND LESBIANS WERE MORE LIKELY TO BE VICTIMS OF VIOLENT HATE
21 CRIMES THAN VICTIMS OF RACIAL OR RELIGIOUS-MOTIVATED CRIMES.
22 FOR THE FOURTH STRAIGHT YEAR, RACIAL HATE CRIMES BETWEEN
23 AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND LATINOS REMAINED DISTURBINGLY HIGH. AND
24 IT SEEMS TO ME IT SAYS TO US THAT WE HAVE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT
25 OF WORK TO DO IN THIS PARTICULAR AREA. AND I FOR ONE, AS THE



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1 ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD, I'M CONFIDENT IS COMMITTED TO
2 COLLABORATING WITH STAKEHOLDERS THROUGHOUT THEIR RESPECTIVE
3 COMMUNITIES OF THE COUNTY TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE HEAD ON.
4 THERE'S A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF WORK THAT CAN BE DONE. THE
5 REPORT ALSO REVEALS THAT WHITE SUPREMACIST ACTIVITY IN OUR
6 COUNTY GREW TO 20 PERCENT OF ALL HATE CRIMES. AND WHO DID THEY
7 TARGET? THEY TARGETED JEWS AND AFRICAN-AMERICANS, FOLLOWED BY
8 LATINOS. AND FORTUNATELY ONLY 14 PERCENT OF THESE CRIMES WERE
9 VIOLENT, AND THE MAJORITY WERE ACTS OF VANDALISM, MOST
10 FREQUENTLY SWASTIKAS AND OTHER FORMS OF GRAFFITI. AND SO WE
11 CHOOSE NOT TO HIDE THESE ISSUES. WE CHOOSE NOT TO SWEEP THEM
12 UNDER THE RUG. WE CALL THEM FORWARD IN A FULL DECLARATION OF
13 HUMAN RIGHTS. THAT IS TO SAY THAT EVERYONE SHOULD BE RESPECTED
14 AS A PERSON REGARDLESS OF THEIR ORIGIN. AND SO WE APPLAUD THE
15 HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION FOR WHAT THEY HAVE DONE FOR MANY
16 YEARS, WHAT THEY ARE DOING NOW AND THEIR CONTINUED EFFORT TO
17 BRING THIS DATA FORWARD. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO DEAL WITH
18 THESE ISSUES. IN OTHER WORDS, WE HAVE TO FACE IT IN ORDER TO
19 ERASE IT. SO IT'S ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRETY OF THE COUNTY OF
20 LOS ANGELES, PARTICULARLY THE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD, THAT WE
21 PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION AND TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
22 ACKNOWLEDGE THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. BECAUSE
23 IT IS THE FOUNDING DOCUMENT, THE SEMINAL DOCUMENT THAT GIVES
24 US REASON TO FOCUS ON THE ISSUE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, NOT ONLY
25 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD BUT SPECIFICALLY IN OUR OWN COUNTY. SO WE



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1 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR WORK AND WE PRESENT THIS TO YOU
2 WITH PRIDE. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **ROBIN TOMA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I'D
5 LIKE TO BEGIN WITH ASKING OUR COMMISSION PRESIDENT, DR. SANDRA
6 THOMAS, WHO IS HERE WITH US, ALONG WITH COMMISSIONER TONG SUK
7 CHUN. DR. THOMAS, AS OUR PRESIDENT, WILL BEGIN WITH A FEW
8 WORDS FROM BEHALF OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

9

10 **DR. SANDRA THOMAS:** GOOD MORNING. TO THE HONORABLE CHAIR
11 MOLINA, TO THE HONORABLE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WHO ARE STANDING
12 WITH US TODAY IN THIS ISSUE OF HUMAN RIGHTS DAY. THANK YOU,
13 SIR, FOR THAT. TO MY BROTHER AND MY DEAR, DEAR FRIEND, THE
14 FIFTH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR, HONORABLE MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH, TO
15 ALL OF OUR SUPERVISORS, EACH AS GREAT IN THEIR OWN RIGHT. AS
16 THE PRESIDENT OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, IT IS MY
17 PRIVILEGE TO SHARE A FEW WORDS ADDRESSING OUR PURPOSE FOR
18 BEING HERE TODAY. ON NOVEMBER THE SECOND, OUR COMMISSION VOTED
19 UNANIMOUSLY TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT WE
20 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ACKNOWLEDGE AND CELEBRATE HUMAN RIGHTS
21 DAY, WHICH WILL BE CELEBRATED WORLDWIDE ON DECEMBER THE TENTH,
22 SINCE THAT IS THE DAY OF ITS ORIGIN IN 1948. ON OUR HUMAN
23 RELATIONS COMMISSION, WE FEEL THAT THIS GIVES US AN
24 OPPORTUNITY TO ADVOCATE FOR HEALTHY AND POSITIVE HUMAN
25 RELATIONS, INSURING THAT ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES FEEL



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1 THAT THEIR FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS ARE BEING ACKNOWLEDGED AND
2 RESPECTED. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO -- WELL, IT'S IMPORTANT TODAY
3 THAT WE NOTE THE UNITED STATES PLAYED A VERY PIVOTAL ROLE IN
4 THE CREATION OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. AND
5 COUNTRIES OF ALL DIFFERENT POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
6 SYSTEMS AGREED THAT THESE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS THAT WE ALL
7 SHARE, THAT WE CAN SIMPLY USE BECAUSE OF OUR COMMON HUMANITY.
8 SO WE'RE THRILLED TODAY THAT OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS
9 DECIDED TO ENCOURAGE ALL OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENTS TO INFORM
10 THEIR EMPLOYEES OF THIS DAY. AND IN SOME SMALL WAY, MAYBE
11 ACTIONS WILL BE TAKEN TO SUPPORT THE PRINCIPLES THAT YOU HEARD
12 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS TALK ABOUT THAT ARE ADDRESSED IN THE
13 UNIVERSAL DECLARATION. OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE ONES THAT
14 TAKE ACTION. THEY'RE NOT JUST FULL OF IDLE WORDS. AND THEIR
15 ACTIONS PRODUCE TANGIBLE RESULTS. THAT'S WHAT PROMOTES HUMAN
16 RIGHTS. THAT'S WHAT PROMOTES HUMAN RIGHTS IN LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY. SO ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION, I THANK YOU THANK OUR
18 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR TAKING THIS HISTORIC STEP WITH US
19 TODAY, BECAUSE THIS IS A FIRST. I THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR
20 RECOGNIZING HUMAN RIGHTS DAY IN THIS COUNTY. AND I THANK YOU
21 FOR SUPPORTING THE IMPORTANT MISSION THAT EACH OF YOU HAVE
22 ASSIGNED TO OUR HANDS TO DO. WE ARE TO PROMOTE POSITIVE
23 RELATIONS WHILE SERVING AS YOUR APPOINTEES ON THIS COMMISSION.
24 FINALLY, I THANK EACH OF YOU FOR YOUR UNWAVERING DEDICATION TO
25 THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO TO OUR SUPERVISORS, I



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1 SAY LIVE LONG, SERVE WELL, GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU FOR
2 THIS TIME. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **TONG SUK CHUN:** BRIEFLY I JUST WANTED TO ADD TO THE ELOQUENT
5 WORDS OF DR. SANDRA THOMAS THAT HUMAN RIGHTS IS OFTEN THOUGHT
6 ABOUT AS A FAR-AWAY ISSUE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IN SOME FAR-
7 AWAY LAND. BUT THE TRUTH IS THAT IT'S WHAT WE ENJOY EVERY DAY
8 HERE IN LOS ANGELES. WHETHER IT'S THE RIGHT TO BE FREE OF
9 DISCRIMINATION, TO BE FREE TO SPEAK AND WRITE WHAT ONE THINKS,
10 TO BE ABLE TO HAVE FAIR WORKING CONDITIONS. ALL OF THESE ARE
11 THE HUMAN RIGHTS THAT EVERY PERSON, BY VIRTUE OF THEIR
12 HUMANITY ALONE, HAVE THE RIGHT TO ENJOY. AND I'M PROUD TO SAY
13 THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN
14 RELATIONS AND MANY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WORK EVERY DAY TO ENSURE
15 THOSE RIGHTS ARE PROTECTED AND RESPECTED. AND I JUST WANT TO
16 SAY THAT WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING ABOUT THE OTHER
17 DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER COMMUNITIES AND CITIES ABOUT WHAT THEY
18 ARE DOING TO PROMOTE HUMAN RIGHTS, BECAUSE WE KNOW IT'S
19 SOMETHING THAT IT IS -- WHILE WE'VE COME A LONG WAYS IN OUR
20 ROLE, WE HAVE A LONG WAYS TO GO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
21 [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES ALL OF OUR PRESENTATIONS
24 THIS MORNING. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU'RE UP FIRST.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNING
2 MOTIONS. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
3 MEMORY OF EDWARD SANDERS, AN ATTORNEY AND LEADER IN THE JEWISH
4 COMMUNITY WHO SERVED AS PRESIDENT CARTER'S SPECIAL ADVISER ON
5 MIDEAST POLICY IN THE LATE 1970S, WHO DIED YESTERDAY MORNING
6 OF CANCER AT THE AGE OF 87. ED EARNED HIS UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE
7 FROM U.C.L.A., AND AFTER MILITARY SERVICE, WHERE HE WAS A
8 CAPTAIN IN THE INFANTRY DURING WORLD WAR II, GRADUATED FROM
9 U.S.C. LAW SCHOOL AND WAS ADMITTED TO THE BAR IN 1950. HE
10 JOINED THE FIRM OF IRELL AND MANELLA AND BECAME POLITICALLY
11 ACTIVE IN A WIDE VARIETY OF CIVIC CAUSES AND ORGANIZATIONS.
12 HIS POSITIONS INCLUDED THE CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES URBAN
13 LEAGUE, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES JEWISH FEDERATION
14 COUNCIL, UNTIL RECENTLY CHAIR OF ITS CAMPAIGN FOR THE 21ST
15 CENTURY. HE WAS ALSO A FORMER CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES
16 NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS AND FORMER CHAIR OF
17 THE U.C.L.A. CHANCELLORS' COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
18 NATIONALLY HE WAS A PAST PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN-ISRAEL
19 PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. HIS POLITICAL WORK INCLUDED WORK ON
20 BEHALF OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY'S 1968 PRESIDENTIAL
21 CAMPAIGN AND WAS ONE OF THE EARLIEST AND STRONGEST SUPPORTERS
22 -- AND WAS MY EARLIEST AND STRONGEST SUPPORTER WHEN I FIRST
23 RAN FOR THE CITY COUNCIL. IN FACT, HE CHAIRED MY FIRST
24 CAMPAIGN, WHICH WAS IMMENSELY IMPORTANT TO MY CAMPAIGN AND TO
25 ME AT THAT TIME. ED IS A LONGTIME FRIEND OF MINE AND BARBARA.



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1 HE'S A GIANT IN THIS COMMUNITY AND ONE OF THE MOST DECENT
2 HUMAN BEINGS YOU'D EVER HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING AND
3 WORKING WITH, AND THAT WAS MY GOOD FORTUNE. HE IS SURVIVED BY
4 HIS WIFE OF 63 YEARS, ROSE, TWO CHILDREN, SUSAN SANDERS WITKOW
5 AND MICHAEL SANDERS AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. MADAME CHAIR, I
6 ALSO HAVE THE SAD DUTY TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JIM PERRY,
7 A RETIRED LOS ANGELES CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT CAPTAIN, WHO DIED
8 TRAGICALLY RECENTLY IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT ON U.S. HIGHWAY 395.
9 HE WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE UNITED FIREFIGHTERS OF LOS
10 ANGELES CITY LOCAL 112, AND WAS ON HIS WAY TO LOS ANGELES FROM
11 HIS NEVADA HOME FROM THE UNION'S HOLIDAY PARTY WHEN THE
12 ACCIDENT OCCURRED. HE WAS WELL KNOWN TO THE LOCAL MEDIA. HE
13 EDITED THE UNION NEWSPAPER FOR MORE THAN THREE DECADES. HE
14 HELD POSITIONS IN SEVERAL FIRE STATIONS DURING HIS TENURE AND
15 HAD SERVED AS A DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER IN
16 ADDITION TO ACTING AS A TECHNICAL ADVISER TO HOLLYWOOD
17 PRODUCTIONS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BOOKIE; A DAUGHTER,
18 CHRISTINE; AND FOUR SONS, NILES, JUSTIN, JOHN AND RON. MIRIAM
19 DEIXLER, A LONGTIME MEMBER, SORRY, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE
20 THIRD DISTRICT, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 81. SHE IS
21 SURVIVED BY HER SON BERT, AN ATTORNEY AND PARTNER AT PROSKAUER
22 ROSE, AND A DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, LESLIE; AND TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS,
23 JULIE AND HANNAH. AND FINALLY STEVE MELTZER, A RESIDENT OF
24 SANTA MONICA, FORMER SCHOOL TEACHER AND RENOWNED PUPPETEER,
25 WHO SUCCUMBED TO CANCER AT THE AGE OF 56. FOR MORE THAN A



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1 DECADE, HE RAN A ONE-MAN THEATER AND MUSEUM OPERATION CALLED
2 THE SANTA MONICA PUPPETRY CENTER, COLLECTING AND RESTORING
3 PUPPETS, TEACHING PUPPETRY CLASSES TO CHILDREN AND PERFORMING
4 IN HIS OWN PRODUCTIONS. AFTER RUNNING INTO FINANCIAL
5 DIFFICULTIES, THE CENTER WAS FORCED TO CLOSE THIS PAST AUGUST.
6 TWO HOURS AFTER THE FINAL PRODUCTION, HE SUFFERED A STROKE AND
7 THEN UNDERWENT SURGERY FOR A BRAIN TUMOR. HE NEVER RECOVERED.
8 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, SYLVIA FALK; AND HIS SISTERS,
9 SUSAN SLATNICK, AND ROBERTA ZWART. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING
10 MOTIONS, MADAME CHAIR. MADAME CHAIR? THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING
11 MOTIONS.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS, YEAH, ON ED SANDERS AND ALL
16 MEMBERS ON JIM PERRY, ALSO. THANK YOU. MADAME CHAIR, I'D LIKE
17 TO CALL UP ITEM 1-F AND ITEM 9, THEY'RE RELATED.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK WE HAVE PEOPLE HERE, MR. ROUNTREE IS
22 IN THE AUDIENCE. MAYBE HE COULD COME UP, STEVE, AND WHOEVER
23 YOU WANT TO BRING WITH YOU. GO AHEAD.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, BUT I DO SOME QUESTIONS OF THE C.E.O. AND OF
2 STAFF.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** HOW DO WE WISH TO PROCEED? DO WE WANT A
5 PRESENTATION ON THIS OR DO WE WANT TO BEGIN BY ANSWERING?
6 THESE FOLKS CAN HELP US WITH QUESTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** WHATEVER.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHATEVER YOU PREFER. I JUST CALLED IT UP.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE SOME ISSUES WITH THIS.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ROUNTREE, DO YOU WANT TO
15 MAKE A VERY BRIEF PRESENTATION ON THIS, IF YOU COULD? AND THEN
16 I'M GOING TO ASK SUPERVISOR KNABE TO ASK HIS QUESTIONS.

17

18 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** SURE, I'M STEVE ROUNTREE, RESIDENT OF THE
19 MUSIC CENTER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND I'M ALSO, FOR THE LAST
20 YEAR, ACTING AS THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER FOR THE L.A.
21 OPERA. AND THAT'S A RELEVANT STATEMENT, BECAUSE I WAS ASKED
22 LAST NOVEMBER, WITH THE ONSET OF THE GLOBAL RECESSION TO STEP
23 INTO THE OPERA TO TRY TO SEE IF I COULD HELP THE OPERA WITH A
24 VARIETY OF ITS MANAGEMENT AND FINANCIAL ISSUES. BUT I SPEAK
25 TODAY EVERY BIT AS MUCH AS PRESIDENT OF THE MUSIC CENTER AS IN



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1 MY ROLE OF THE OPERA. BASICALLY THE OPERA, AS YOU KNOW, IS ONE
2 OF THE LEADING OPERA COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES, ONE OF
3 THE MAJOR COMPANIES OF THE WORLD, AN ARTISTIC JEWEL FOR THE
4 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THEY ARE THE PRIME TENANT OF THE
5 DOROTHY CHANDLER PAVILION, THE LARGEST THEATER OF YOUR MUSIC
6 CENTER. THEIR PATRONS GENERATE BUSINESS FOR DOWNTOWN WELL OVER
7 A MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR IN PARKING REVENUES FOR THE COUNTY
8 AND CONTRIBUTE ABOUT \$2 MILLION A YEAR TOWARD THE OPERATIONS
9 OF THE MUSIC CENTER IN TERMS OF RENT AND SO FORTH. THE OPERA
10 HAS BEEN, OVER THE RECENT SEASONS, VERY AMBITIOUS, PRODUCING
11 PRODUCTIONS OF GLOBAL IMPORTANCE AND MERIT. THEY COMMITTED
12 THREE YEARS AGO TO PRODUCE THE RING CYCLE FOR THE FIRST TIME
13 IN THE HISTORY OF THIS CITY, WHICH WAS A HUGE PRODUCTION.
14 THINGS WERE -- OPERA COMPANIES ARE ALWAYS PRESSED, BUT THEY
15 HAD THEIR BUSINESS BASICALLY IN ORDER UNTIL THE RECESSION HIT.
16 CONTRIBUTIONS WENT DOWN. CORPORATE SUPPORT WENT DOWN.
17 FOUNDATIONS LOST ENDOWMENTS, SO THEIR SUPPORT WENT DOWN.
18 TICKET SALES HAVE BEEN SOFT, WHICH IS TRUE ACROSS THE NATION
19 FOR PERFORMING ARTS COMPANIES. AND WITH THE AMBITIOUS AGENDA
20 IN FRONT OF THEM, THE OPERA WAS FACING A SERIOUS, SERIOUS
21 FINANCIAL RISK. THE BOARD OF THE LOS ANGELES OPERA, THE KEY
22 ISSUE HERE IS THAT THE BOARD OF THE LOS ANGELES OPERA STEPPED
23 UP LAST JUNE, AT MY REQUEST, TO RAISE AN ADDITIONAL \$30
24 MILLION OVER THE COURSE OF THIS PAST SUMMER TO ERASE DEFICITS,
25 TO RETIRE DEBT AND TO GET THE OPERA BACK ON A SOLID FINANCIAL



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1 FOOTING. TO DATE, AS OF THIS MONTH, WE HAVE RAISED OVER \$30
2 MILLION FROM WITHIN THE BOARD AND CLOSE FRIENDS OF THE LOS
3 ANGELES OPERA IN THIS COMMUNITY. THE DONATIONS, THE PLEDGES
4 FOR THESE DONATIONS ARE SPREAD OVER THREE YEARS OUT IN FRONT
5 OF US. '09, '10, '11 AND ACTUALLY INTO '12 CALENDAR YEAR. YOU
6 CAN IMAGINE THAT ALL OF THESE PEOPLE, WHILE WEALTHY, HAVE
7 SUFFERED SIGNIFICANT LOSSES IN THEIR OWN LIVES, FINANCIALLY.
8 AND SO IN ORDER TO RAISE THE 30 MILLION, WE HAD TO LET THEM
9 SPREAD IT OUT OVER A FEW YEARS. THE OPERA HAS A BANK, BANK OF
10 THE WEST, THAT'S BEEN AN EXTREMELY GREAT PARTNER, PROVIDES A
11 NORMAL LINE OF CREDIT FINANCING FOR THE OPERA. BANKS HAVE HAD
12 THEIR HANDS TIED IN THIS FINANCIAL ENVIRONMENT, SO THEY WERE
13 NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE ANY FINANCING. THE OPERA NEEDS A BRIDGE
14 LOAN, ESSENTIALLY A THREE-YEAR LOAN TO ENABLE THE OPERA TO
15 HAVE ENOUGH CASH, \$14 MILLION, TO ALLOW THE PLEDGES TO COME
16 IN. WHEN I TALKED TO BILL FUJIOKA AND TO JAN TAKATA OF THE
17 COUNTY ABOUT THESE PROBLEMS EARLY IN THE SUMMER, THEY WERE
18 RESPONSIVE AND HELPFUL ENOUGH TO FIGURE OUT A WAY IN WHICH THE
19 COUNTY COULD ISSUE A NOTE WITH 5 PERCENT INTEREST PAID BACK TO
20 THE COUNTY, WHICH IS SECURED BY OVER \$14 MILLION IN
21 IRREVOCABLE PLEDGES FROM LEADING CITIZENS OF THIS COMMUNITY,
22 IRREVOCABLE PLEDGES WHICH THE COUNTY HAS THE NAME AND THE
23 PLEDGE PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS. SO THIS LOAN
24 WILL BE REPAYED. THERE IS NO QUESTION ABOUT THAT. IT ENABLES US
25 TO HAVE A BRIDGE FINANCING WHILE THE PLEDGES COME IN. WE'LL



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1 BEGIN RECEIVING PLEDGE PAYMENTS IN JANUARY OF 2010. THOSE
2 PLEDGE PAYMENTS WILL GO OUT UNTIL JUNE OF 2012. I THINK THE
3 LOAN THAT WE HAVE WITH THE COUNTY WOULD BE RETIRED BY DECEMBER
4 OF 2012. SO THAT'S THE BASIC STORY HERE. IF THE OPERA WAS NOT
5 TO GET THIS LOAN BY THE 15TH OF DECEMBER, WE HAVE A BANK, THE
6 BANK'S LINE OF CREDIT IS CALLED AND DUE ON THE 15TH OF
7 DECEMBER. I'VE BEEN ABLE TO EXTEND IT FROM NOVEMBER TO
8 DECEMBER BY WORKING WITH THE BANK'S EXECUTIVES. THE AUDITORS,
9 K.P.M.G., THE AUDITORS OF THE OPERA, ARE HOLDING THEIR AUDIT
10 OPINION FOR THIS MEETING TODAY BECAUSE THEY FEEL THAT THEIR
11 ABILITY TO ISSUE A CLEAN FINANCIAL STATEMENT ON THE OPERA'S
12 CONDITION GOING FORWARD DEPENDS UPON HAVING OUR FINANCING IN
13 PLACE. SO THAT'S THE BASIC STORY.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE FOLLOWED BY
16 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, MY CONCERN IS A COUPLE THINGS. ONE, THIS
19 TRANSACTION IS SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL. IT REALLY DIDN'T INVOLVE THE
20 OFFICE OF OUR TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR AND NOT COUNTY COUNSEL.
21 AND I GUESS THE QUESTION I HAVE, WHY IS THIS BEING DONE AS A
22 PRIVATE PLACEMENT VERSUS A PUBLICLY OFFERED BOND? WAS THERE AN
23 ANALYSIS OF THE COST? I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY WE WEREN'T INVOLVED IN
24 ANY OF THAT, ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, FINANCING COSTS. WHAT
25 RATIONALE DO WE USE TO JUSTIFY A HIGHER INTEREST RATE?



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2 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** SUPERVISOR, JAN TAKATA, C.E.O.'S OFFICE. WE
3 DID WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH THE TREASURER'S OFFICE, AS WELL AS
4 COUNTY COUNSEL. THE TREASURER WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN IN
5 STRUCTURING THIS AS A PRIVATE PLACEMENT AND STRONGLY
6 RECOMMENDED A STRONG PRIVATE PLACEMENT BASED ON THE TIMING
7 REQUIREMENTS OF THE FINANCING SCHEDULE, A PRIVATE PLACEMENT
8 BEING MUCH QUICKER AND FASTER AND FLEXIBLE TO IMPLEMENT. SO
9 THIS WAS REALLY BASED ON THE TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATION. THE
10 TIMING WAS DRIVEN BECAUSE AS YOU STATE, THIS IS UNUSUAL. WE'VE
11 BEEN WORKING WITH THE MUSIC CENTER AND THE L.A. OPERA FOR SOME
12 MONTHS, WATCHING AS THEY HAVE REDUCED ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES
13 22 PERCENT, REDUCED THEIR OPERATING BUDGET BY 20 PERCENT, AS
14 THEY HAVE TRIED TO COME TO GRIPS WITH THIS FISCAL SITUATION
15 THEY'RE DEALING WITH. WE'VE WAITED THIS LONG AND CHOSEN THIS
16 STRUCTURE BECAUSE WE REALIZED AND REALLY VIEWED THIS AS A LAST
17 RESORT FOR THE COUNTY. THE STRUCTURE IS -- THE FINANCING
18 STRUCTURE DOES MINIMIZE EXPOSURE TO THE COUNTY. IT IS
19 STRUCTURED, STILL, AS A LEASE. I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE
20 UNDERLYING LEASE IS 10 YEARS, ALTHOUGH THE BOND -- PRIVATELY
21 PLACED BOND IS ONLY THREE YEARS. THIS IS TO ALLOW US TIME IN
22 THE EVENT WE NEED TO RESTRUCTURE AND REFINANCE THE NOTE AT THE
23 END OF THE THREE YEARS. WE LOOKED CLOSELY AT THE PLEDGES AND
24 THE PLEDGE SCHEDULE. THE BOND MATURITY IS ACTUALLY FEBRUARY
25 2013, EIGHT MONTHS AFTER THE FINAL PLEDGE IS DUE THAT WOULD



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1 REDEEM THE BOND. SO WE BELIEVE WE HAVE SUFFICIENT COVERAGE IN
2 TERMS OF TIMING, IN TERMS OF STRUCTURE AND MINIMIZE THE IMPACT
3 OR EXPOSURE TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND. AGAIN, THE GENERAL
4 FUND AND THE COUNTY TREASURY POOL IS NOT FUNDING THIS LOAN. WE
5 DO HAVE A PRIVATE PLACEMENT INVESTOR LINED UP THAT THE
6 TREASURER'S OFFICE DID IDENTIFY AND NEGOTIATE WITH.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THAT'S INTERESTING. THAT'S A GOOD ANSWER.
9 WHEN I ASKED THE TREASURER FOR HIS VIEWPOINT ON THIS
10 PARTICULAR THING, HE INDICATED TO ME THAT THIS REALLY WAS DONE
11 WITHOUT THE ADVICE OF THE TREASURER OR EVEN COUNTY COUNSEL,
12 THAT YOU ALSO HIRED BOND COUNSEL OUTSIDE THE NORMAL COUNTY
13 COUNSEL PROCESS AND FEE CAPS AND EVERYTHING ELSE. I MEAN I
14 DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY.

15

16 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** L.A. OPERA PAID FOR ALL THE BOND COUNSEL
17 COSTS, SUPERVISOR. COUNTY COUNSEL DID COMMENT AND APPROVE ALL
18 THE DOCUMENTS AS TO FORM. AND THE TREASURER DID REVIEW AND
19 APPROVE ALL THE FINANCING DOCUMENTS.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. FUJIOKA, COULD YOU EXPLAIN HOW THIS WAS
24 BROUGHT FORWARD AND WHY THE BOARD HAD NOT BEEN NOTIFIED OF ITS
25 INTENT TO OFFER THIS PRIOR TO NEGOTIATING A LOAN? BECAUSE THIS



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1 IS A POLICY ISSUE. AND WE ONLY FOUND OUT ABOUT IT THIS PAST
2 WEEK OR SO, IN LATE NOVEMBER.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE BEEN IN DISCUSSION WITH THE MUSIC
5 CENTER, AND PARTICULARLY STEVE ROUNTREE ON THE FINANCIAL, I'LL
6 CALL IT STATUS, THE VIABILITY OF THE OPERA FOR SOME MONTHS.
7 STEVE, AS JAN HAD MENTIONED, HAS GONE THROUGH GREAT LENGTHS TO
8 REDUCE COSTS, TO REDUCE SOME OF THE OPERATING EXPENSES, TO DO
9 SOME REORGANIZING. HE'S EVEN LOOKED AT THE STAFFING AT THE
10 OPERA COMPANY AND MADE SOME FAIRLY SIGNIFICANT CHANGES. ONCE
11 IT GOT TO THE POINT WHERE THEY NEEDED FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF
12 THIS TYPE, AT THAT TIME, WE STARTED WORKING WITH HIM ON THIS
13 LOAN AND LOOKING AT THE POSSIBILITIES OF A LOAN. WE FEEL THAT
14 GIVEN HOW THE REPAYMENT IS STRUCTURED AND THAT HE HAS THESE
15 IRREVOCABLE PLEDGES, THAT ON A FINANCIAL BASIS, IT MAKES SENSE
16 AND DOES NOT PUT THE COUNTY IN JEOPARDY WHATSOEVER. IF NOT FOR
17 THE WAY THIS HAS BEEN STRUCTURED AND THE WAY, IN WORKING WITH
18 STEVE AND SEEING THE STRENGTH OF THE PLEDGES, WE WOULD NOT
19 HAVE RECOMMENDED THIS LOAN. BUT AT THIS POINT, THIS IS FOR THE
20 -- TO ENSURE THE VIABILITY OF THE OPERA, WE FEEL THAT IT
21 SHOULD GO FORWARD.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. BUT AGAIN IT WAS A POLICY ISSUE THAT
24 THE BOARD OUGHT TO HAVE BEEN INFORMED AS TO WHAT WAS GOING ON.
25 AND IF THIS TYPE OF A FIRST-EVER, BASICALLY, CHANGE IN POLICY



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1 SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR APPROVAL WITHOUT THAT
2 INPUT. HAS THE COUNTY EVER PROVIDED THIS TYPE OF LOAN TO ANY
3 OTHER PRIVATE, NON-COUNTY ENTITY?

4

5 **JAN TAKATA:** THE ONLY ONE I CAN THINK OF, SUPERVISOR, IS THE
6 WALT DISNEY LOAN THAT WAS DONE IN 2005.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THERE'S A LITTLE DIFFERENCE. THAT DISNEY
9 LOAN USED THEIR BUILDING. HERE WE'RE LOANING USING OUR
10 RESOURCES. SO THERE'S NO PRIVATE ENTITY THAT THE COLLECTOR CAN
11 ATTACH THE FAILURE TO MAKE THOSE PAYMENTS.

12

13 **JAN TAKATA:** YOU'RE CORRECT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THAT'S A BAD ANALOGY. SO I ASK AGAIN, HAS
16 THIS TYPE EVER BEEN PROVIDED TO A NON-COUNTY ENTITY?

17

18 **JAN TAKATA:** NOT WITH THIS SPECIFIC STRUCTURE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THIS IS A POLICY CHANGE THAT WE'RE HEARING
21 ABOUT BASICALLY FOR THE FIRST TIME AND DISCUSSING FOR THE
22 FIRST TIME. RIGHT?

23

24 **JAN TAKATA:** YES.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ABILITY TO REPAY THE LOANS IS BASED ON
2 ANTICIPATED PLEDGES THROUGH 2012. BUT WHAT IS THE BACKUP IF
3 THESE PLEDGES DON'T COME IN? I KNOW THERE'S BEEN SOME RECENT
4 NEWS REPORTS OF PEOPLE NOW, PERHAPS FOR LEGAL DIFFICULTIES,
5 ARE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO COME FORWARD WITH THEIR PLEDGES
6 THAT THEY HAD MADE. SO HOW DOES THE OPERA COMPANY INTEND TO
7 SATISFY THAT LOAN?

8

9 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** WE FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH THE QUALITY, SCHEDULE
10 AND NATURE OF THE PLEDGES, SUPERVISOR, FIRST OF ALL. SECOND OF
11 ALL, IN THE EVENT THE PLEDGES ARE NOT REALIZED ON THE SCHEDULE
12 THAT HAS BEEN PRESENTED, WE DO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
13 REFINANCE OR RESTRUCTURE THE NOTE OR THE BOND PURSUANT TO THE
14 UNDERLYING LEASE. THAT'S WHY I SAID WE HAVE A 10-YEAR
15 UNDERLYING LEASE, EVEN THOUGH THE BOND ITSELF IS ONLY THREE
16 YEARS. SO WE COULD REFINANCE FOR THE REMAINING SEVEN YEARS
17 BASED ON A RECALCULATED PLEDGE SCHEDULE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE COUNTY HAS ALL THE RISK IN THIS AND
20 THE L.A. OPERA HAS NO RISK.

21

22 **JAN TAKATA:** I WOULDN'T SAY THAT. THEY'VE PLEDGED ALL THEIR
23 AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IT'S OUR RESOURCES THAT WE'RE PUTTING UP.
2 AND IF THE OPERA CAN'T REPAY THEM, THEN WE HAVE TO TAKE THAT
3 OUT OF OUR TREASURY TO PAY THAT.

4

5 **JAN TAKATA:** NO. UNLIKE THE WALT DISNEY LOAN WHERE WE DID PUT
6 OUR RESOURCES, COUNTY RESOURCES, TOWARD THAT LOAN TO FUND THAT
7 LOAN, WE HAVE STRUCTURED THIS AS PRIVATE PLACEMENT WITH AN
8 OUTSIDE INVESTOR. THE COUNTY IS NOT FUNDING THIS LOAN
9 DIRECTLY, NUMBER ONE. NUMBER TWO, WE DO HAVE THE REFINANCING
10 OPPORTUNITY. AND, NUMBER THREE, WE DO HAVE A PROMISSORY NOTE
11 FROM THE L.A. OPERA PLEDGING ALL THEIR FINANCIAL RESOURCES.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IF THEY DEFAULT ON THE LOAN, WHAT DO WE
14 GET FOR COLLATERAL TO MAKE UP THAT 14 MILLION OR 10 MILLION,
15 WHATEVER THE DOLLAR AMOUNT IS? WE'RE LEFT FROM OUR GENERAL
16 FUND TO PAY THOSE BECAUSE THERE'S NO -- WE'RE NOT GOING TO
17 TAKE STEVE'S HOUSE.

18

19 **JAN TAKATA:** AT A LAST RESORT, YOU'RE CORRECT. THAT WOULD COME
20 DUE AT THE END OF 10 YEARS AFTER A SECOND REFINANCING.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MUCH DOES THE MONEY CURRENTLY PAY THE
23 MUSIC CENTER OPERATING COMPANY THROUGH THE LEASE?

24

25 **JAN TAKATA:** I'M SORRY.



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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MUCH MONEY DOES THE COUNTY CURRENTLY
3 PROVIDE THE MUSIC CENTER OPERATING COMPANY THROUGH THE LEASE?

4

5 **JAN TAKATA:** WE CONTRIBUTE ABOUT 20.7 MILLION TO THE MUSIC
6 CENTER EACH YEAR FOR OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, UTILITIES, EXTRA
7 SERVICES.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW MUCH MONEY DOES L.A. OPERA GENERATE
10 AS A PART OF THAT MUSIC CENTER LEASE?

11

12 **JAN TAKATA:** THEY CONTRIBUTE ABOUT 1.3 MILLION IN REVENUE TO
13 THE OPERATION OF THE MUSIC CENTER.

14

15 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** PLUS ANOTHER 700,000 IN FACILITY FEES WHICH GO
16 FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE BUILDING.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO DOES THE CURRENT REVENUE GENERATED BY THE
19 OPERA SUSTAIN THE COST TO OPERATE?

20

21 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** YES.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT I'M TOLD THAT THEY'RE RUNNING IN THE RED
24 AND THAT'S WHY THEY HAD TO CUT EXPENDITURES.

25



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1 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** IF YOU'RE ASKING IS THE OPERA UNDER FINANCIAL
2 PRESSURE FROM PAST DEBT AND DEFICITS, YES. THE OPERA IS
3 OPERATING NOW IN A BREAK-EVEN WAY BECAUSE OF CUTTING
4 EXPENDITURES, RESTRUCTURING THE STAFF, TRYING TO INCREASE
5 DONATIONS IN A TOUGH TIME AND SO FORTH. WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO
6 DO HERE THROUGH THIS \$30 MILLION THAT WE'VE RAISED -- AND BY
7 THE WAY, WE HAVE RAISED \$30 MILLION. THERE'S MUCH MORE PLEDGES
8 THAN THE 14 MILLION THAT WE'VE SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED FOR
9 THIS.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT TYPE OF SALES -- SAY HAS THE OPERA
12 INCREASED THEIR TICKET SALES THIS YEAR?

13

14 **JAN TAKATA:** NO, THEY HAVEN'T.

15

16 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** NO. THAT'S WHY WE'VE REDUCED THE SCALE OF THE
17 COMPANY SO THAT TICKET SALES AND EARNED INCOME AND DONATED
18 INCOME WILL BALANCE THE BUDGET. IN THIS CURRENT ECONOMIC
19 RECESSION, PERFORMING ARTS COMPANIES, NOT JUST THE OPERA, BUT
20 THE CENTER THEATER GROUP AND OTHERS, HAVE HAD TO DOWN SCALE
21 THEIR PROGRAMMING BECAUSE THAT'S THE REALITY THAT WE'RE IN.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE MENTIONED EARLIER THAT STEVE HAS GONE
24 THROUGH A RESTRUCTURING OF NOT ONLY THE FINANCING BUT THE
25 OVERALL OPERATIONS OF THE OPERA TO BRING DOWN COSTS TO MAKE



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1 SURE THAT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS THEIR REVENUE IS EQUAL TO OR
2 SOMEWHAT GREATER THAN THEIR OPERATING EXPENSES. SOMEWHAT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF THE BOARD DECIDES NOT TO APPROVE THE LOAN
5 TODAY, ARE YOU ABLE TO ACCELERATE THE COLLECTING OF YOUR
6 PLEDGES FROM YOUR MEMBERS AND FROM THE PUBLIC?

7

8 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** NOT AS FAR AS I KNOW, SUPERVISOR. WE OBVIOUSLY
9 WENT TO DONORS TO GET THE MOST ACCELERATED PLEDGE PAYMENT
10 SCHEDULES THAT WE COULD GET FROM THEM. THEY ARE ALL COMMITTED
11 TO SUPPORTING THE OPERA, BUT THEY'RE BALANCING THEIR OWN LIVES
12 AND THEIR OWN FAMILIES. AND AT THIS MOMENT, I HAVE NO
13 KNOWLEDGE THAT WE COULD ACCELERATE THE PLEDGE PAYMENTS IN ANY
14 MATERIAL WAY.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY CAN L.A. OPERA SECURE A LINE OF CREDIT
17 WITHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ISSUING REVENUE BONDS?

18

19 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** WHY CAN'T WE? THE BANK OF THE WEST IS THE
20 OPERA'S LINE OF CREDIT BANK. THEY HAVE OFFERED THE EXTENSION,
21 BUT IT IS CONTINGENT UPON OUR BEING ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE OVER
22 THE NEXT 12 TO 24 MONTHS THAT WE CAN MANAGE AND SURVIVE THE
23 CASH FLOW AND MANAGE WITHIN THAT LINE OF CREDIT. WE CANNOT DO
24 THAT WITHOUT THE LOAN FROM THE COUNTY. SO THE BANK OF THE
25 WEST'S EXTENSION OF THEIR LINE OF CREDIT IS CONTINGENT UPON



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1 OUR BEING ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE THAT WE HAVE FIGURED OUT THE
2 CASH FLOW FOR THE NEXT 24 MONTHS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MY OFFICE WAS TOLD THAT THE LOAN WOULD KEEP
5 THE OPERA SOLVENT FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 2010. SO ARE YOU
6 GOING TO USE THE REVENUE, THE ENTIRE \$14 MILLION?

7

8 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** THE BRIDGE LOAN FROM THE -- I DON'T KNOW WHERE
9 THAT STATEMENT CAME FROM.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT COMES FROM THE PAGE --

12

13 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** SORRY. MR. TAKATA MAYBE CAN EXPLAIN WHAT HE
14 MEANT BY THAT. BUT BASICALLY THIS \$14 MILLION FIGURES INTO A
15 THREE-YEAR CASH FLOW FINANCIAL PLAN THAT WE HAVE, WHICH
16 INCLUDES CUTTING THE COSTS AND SCALING BACK THE SEASONS. AND
17 THE 14 MILLION IS CRITICAL AND WILL BE USED DURING THE FIRST
18 SIX MONTHS, BUT IT TIES INTO PLEDGES THAT BEGIN FLOWING IN IN
19 JUNE OF 2010.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE C.E.O.'S MEMO ON PAGE 1 IT STATES, IN
22 THE SEVENTH PARAGRAPH "THE LOAN WILL KEEP THEM SOLVENT THROUGH
23 THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 2010. L.A. OPERA'S CASH FLOW SHOULD
24 STABILIZE IN THE SPRING OF 2010 AS TICKET SALES FOR THE
25 2010/11 ARE REALIZED. ALSO PLEDGED DONATIONS FROM THE RECENT



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1 STABILIZATION FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN WILL BEGIN TO BE
2 CAPITALIZED AND RECEIVED IN JUNE 2010. I EXPECT L.A. OPERA TO
3 BE ABLE TO FULLY REPAY THE \$14 MILLION LOAN AFTER TWO YEARS."

4

5 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** RIGHT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE QUESTION AGAIN, WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO
8 USE THOSE REVENUES, HAVE THOSE REVENUES THAT ARE BEING
9 GENERATED FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS TO MEET YOUR NEED?

10

11 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** WE COULDN'T REPAY THE LOAN DURING THE FIRST
12 SIX MONTHS, IF THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE ASKING. WE NEED THE BRIDGE,
13 THE BRIDGE IS NEEDED NOW, LITERALLY NEXT WEEK, FOR THE NEXT
14 SIX MONTHS. THE STRUCTURE OF THE DEAL IS THAT WE CANNOT PREPAY
15 THE LOAN, THAT THE INVESTOR WANTS TO HAVE THE INTEREST ON THAT
16 LOAN FOR THREE YEARS. SO WE ARE PROHIBITED FROM PREPAYING. WE
17 ACTUALLY COULD BEGIN PREPAYING THE LOAN EARLIER BY OUR CASH
18 FLOW PROJECTIONS. AND WE WILL TAKE MONEY FROM PLEDGES, PUT IT
19 IN A SECURED ACCOUNT AND HOLD IT UNTIL THE PREPAYMENT DATE OF
20 2012 OR '13. SO THE STATEMENT THAT YOU READ FROM THEIR REPORT
21 IS AN ACCURATE STATEMENT ABOUT THE SITUATION.

22

23 **JAN TAKATA:** THAT WAS BASED UPON OUR ANALYSIS OF THEIR CASH
24 FLOW, SUPERVISOR. THE NEXT SIX MONTHS ARE THEIR MOST CRITICAL
25 AND THEIR MOST DIRE. WE SEE THEM STABILIZING AFTER THAT SIX-



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1 MONTH PERIOD. THIS 14 MILLION WILL ENABLE THEM TO CONTINUE
2 OPERATION THROUGH THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. ONCE THE PLEDGE
3 DONATIONS BEGIN TO BE REALIZED, THEY WILL BE STABILIZED AND BE
4 ABLE TO REPAY THE LOAN. THAT'S WHAT GAVE US OUR COMFORT. BUT
5 WE ANALYZED THEIR CASH FLOW PROJECTIONS FOR THE NEXT THREE
6 YEARS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS AN ASIDE, AND I'VE TALKED TO MEMBERS FROM
9 THE OPERA, MEMBERS OF THE L.A. OPERA, THE AMOUNT OF DOLLARS
10 AND REVENUES THAT WERE INVESTED IN THE WAGNER PRODUCTION
11 THAT'S COMING OUT IN 2010, MANY FEEL IS GOING TO BE A LOSER
12 BECAUSE OF THE PERSON THAT'S BEING BASICALLY HONORED AND IT'S
13 NOT INCLUDING MANY PEOPLE WHO PROVIDED THAT TYPE OF MUSIC OR
14 OPERA. AND SO IS THE COUNTY GOING TO BE UNDERWRITING THE
15 WAGNER?

16

17 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** NO.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM ANY OF THIS MONEY?

20

21 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** THE WAGNER, THE RING CYCLE, HAS RAISED -- WILL
22 RAISE BY THE END OF THIS YEAR \$20 MILLION COMPLETELY SEPARATE
23 FOR THE SUPPORT OF THAT PRODUCTION AND WILL HAVE TICKET SALES
24 OF 12, 13 MILLION, WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT WE EXPECTED. SO THE
25 RING CYCLE WILL BREAK EVEN. THE RING FESTIVAL, THE LOS ANGELES



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1 RING FESTIVAL, WHICH WE'VE DISCUSSED BEFORE, IS NOT BEING --
2 THE OPERA'S SPENDING \$150,000 TOTAL TOWARD THAT FESTIVAL. THIS
3 IS NOT TOUCHING THAT. THIS RESTRUCTURING IS ALL ABOUT DEBT AND
4 ACCUMULATED DEFICITS THAT, FRANKLY, ON BEHALF OF THE MUSIC
5 CENTER, I'M TRYING TO FIX. BECAUSE IF THE OPERA ISN'T THERE,
6 ISN'T IN THE DOROTHY CHANDLER PAVILION, WE'VE GOT A BIG HOLE.
7 I SHOULD ALSO MENTION THAT IN ADDITION TO WHAT THE OPERA
8 CONTRIBUTES, THEIR PATRONS PAY A MILLION DOLLARS IN PARKING
9 FEES IN THE COUNTY'S PARKING STRUCTURE. THEY ARE THE MAJOR
10 ATTENDERS OF RESTAURANTS HERE DOWNTOWN DURING PERFORMANCES AND
11 SO ON.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN MY AREA THAT SERVES A GREAT NUMBER OF
14 MENTALLY ILL AND PROVIDING SPECIAL SERVICE, MENTAL HEALTH
15 SERVICES TO YOUNG AND OLD, THE VERDUGO MEDICAL HEALTH CENTER
16 HAS HAD TO REMOVE THEIR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HAD TO SLASH
17 PROGRAMS FROM TOP TO BOTTOM. THEY'RE REALLY OPERATING ON A
18 BUDGET OF 10 CENTS. AND, AGAIN, WHAT WE HAVE HERE IS A POLICY
19 ISSUE, BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY OTHER NONPROFITS. AND IT'S
20 BEING STATED TODAY THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT WE'RE PROVIDING
21 THIS TYPE OF A BRIDGE LOAN TO A NON-COUNTY ENTITY, THAT WHILE
22 IT MAY HAVE ALL THE WONDERFUL GOOD INTENTIONS IN THE WORLD,
23 THERE ARE SO MANY OTHER NONPROFITS THAT ARE IN EACH OF OUR
24 PARTS OF THE COUNTY WHO WOULD ALSO WANT TO HAVE THAT SAME TYPE
25 OF OPPORTUNITY, AND OUR BUDGET IS NOT ABLE TO DO THAT. AND ONE



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1 REASON WHY THE COUNTY, UNLIKE THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, HAS
2 BEEN ABLE TO GET THROUGH THIS DOWNTURN IS THE FACT THAT WE'VE
3 HAD BASICALLY CONSERVATIVE MANAGEMENT OF OUR GENERAL FUND AND
4 OUR REVENUES. AND, AGAIN, I THINK IT'S OPENING UP A PANDORA'S
5 BOX. AND THAT'S THE FEAR I HAVE. AND THE FACT THAT THIS WAS A
6 POLICY DECISION THAT WAS NEGOTIATED BASICALLY BEHIND CLOSED
7 DOORS WITHOUT FULL PARTICIPATION. IT SETS A BAD POLICY FOR THE
8 OTHER NONPROFITS THAT HAVE SOME VERY MEANINGFUL PROGRAMS THAT
9 ARE BEING ELIMINATED BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO
10 GET THE NECESSARY LOANS TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE THROUGH THESE
11 TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST BRIEFLY ON THIS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY IT'S OPENING THE PANDORA'S
18 BOX, IS ALL I WAS TRYING TO SAY. OKAY. EXCUSE ME.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I THINK THIS IS THE SECOND TIME WE'VE
21 ACTUALLY HAD THIS SITUATION. WE DID IT FOR -- I GOT A PHONE
22 CALL, SO I DIDN'T HEAR YOUR ANSWER. BUT WE DID IT FOR THE WALT
23 DISNEY CONCERT HALL WHEN THERE WAS A CASH FLOW ISSUE DURING
24 THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD IN THE LATE '90S. THIS IS EVEN A



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1 LITTLE DIFFERENT BECAUSE I DON'T THINK WE'RE PUTTING UP ANY
2 CASH, ARE WE?

3

4 **JAN TAKATA:** NO.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE PUT UP CASH FOR THE DISNEY HALL. WE PUT
7 UP 16 OR 18 MILLION, I FORGOT THE NUMBER, 20 MILLION.

8

9 **JAN TAKATA:** 22.5.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 22 MILLION. AND WE GOT IT ALL BACK WITH
12 INTEREST. WE'RE GETTING 5.5 PERCENT INTEREST ON THIS, WHICH IS
13 BETTER THAN YOU GET AT THE CREDIT UNION. BUT THE MAIN THING,
14 I'M NOT HAPPY ABOUT THIS ANY MORE THAN ANYBODY ELSE IS, AND
15 I'M SURE THE PERSON WHO IS LEAST HAPPY ABOUT IT IS STEVE
16 ROUNTREE HAVING TO COME UP HERE AND ASK FOR THIS. BUT I DO
17 WANT TO JUST SAY BRIEFLY THAT THIS IS PART OF A LARGER CONTEXT
18 OF WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE OPERA. STEVE WAS BROUGHT INTO THE
19 OPERA BECAUSE THEY WERE HAVING -- LONG BEFORE THERE WAS A
20 RING. THE RING WAS ON THE HORIZON. BUT THIS IS NOT A RING
21 ISSUE, IT'S A FISCAL MANAGEMENT ISSUE AT THE OPERA. AND YOU
22 WERE BROUGHT IN TO TRY TO BRING -- TO TRY TO DO FOR THE OPERA
23 WHAT THIS WONDERFUL BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS DONE FOR COUNTY
24 GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS LIVE WITHIN YOUR MEANS. AND I THINK
25 YOU'RE DOING A PRETTY GOOD JOB OF IT SO FAR. AND YOU STILL



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1 HAVE A MOUNTAIN TO CLIMB. SO I'M NOT ANY HAPPIER ABOUT THIS
2 EXCEPT I'M HAPPY YOU'RE THERE, BUT I'M NOT HAPPY WE'RE IN THE
3 SITUATION. BUT WHAT'S OUR CHOICE? THIS IS NOT JUST ANY OLD
4 NONPROFIT. THIS IS ONE OF OUR MAJOR TENANTS AT THE MUSIC
5 CENTER. IF THEY GO, IT SETS OFF A CHAIN REACTION OF EVENTS
6 THAT COULD TOPPLE THE MUSIC CENTER. SO THE RISK THAT THE OPERA
7 IS TAKING IS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO GO -- THEY'RE GOING TO
8 CEASE TO EXIST. THAT'S THE RISK THEY'RE TAKING. THE RISK WE'RE
9 TAKING IS VERY NOMINAL, VERY MINIMAL. AND THE UPSIDE IS THAT
10 WE GET THE OPERA THROUGH THIS PERIOD OF TIME, THAT THE MUSIC
11 CENTER SURVIVES WHOLE, THAT THE OPERA SURVIVES. AND THE OPERA
12 IS AN IMPORTANT RESIDENT COMPANY OF THE MUSIC CENTER. IT'S AN
13 IMPORTANT ARTISTIC ORGANIZATION FOR OUR COUNTY GENERALLY. AND
14 AFTER ALL THAT THEY'VE BUILT UP OVER THERE, THIS IS A SMALL --
15 THIS IS PRACTICALLY NO PRICE FOR US TO PAY. IN FACT, IF
16 EVERYTHING WORKS OUT ACCORDING TO PLAN, WE'LL MAKE MONEY ON
17 THIS THROUGH THE INTEREST RATE AND WE'LL SAVE THE OPERA AND
18 TAKE IT FROM THERE. SO I REALLY, AS DISTASTEFUL AS IT IS, AND
19 I KNOW WHAT IT IS TO DON AND TO MIKE AND I'M SURE TO THE REST
20 OF US, TAKING THE LONG VIEW, THIS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO AND
21 IT'S A NECESSARY THING TO DO. BECAUSE AS I UNDERSTAND IT, A
22 WEEK FROM TODAY YOU LOSE THE BANK OF THE WEST.

23

24 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** THAT'S RIGHT.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF THAT, I THINK, ARE
2 SELF-EVIDENT. ONE QUESTION I HAD IN YOUR QUESTIONS BACK AND
3 FORTH WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. YOUR PLEDGES, SOME OF THE
4 PLEDGES COME DUE YOU SAID AS EARLY AS NEXT MONTH.

5

6 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** RIGHT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JANUARY OF 2010. WHEN THEY COME DUE, YOU
9 COLLECT THEM, CORRECT?

10

11 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** RIGHT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHAT HAPPENS TO THAT MONEY?

14

15 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** WE HAVE TO SET IT IN A SECURED ACCOUNT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN A LOCKBOX.

18

19 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** IN A LOCKBOX, RIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FOR THE PURPOSES OF PAYING THE NOTE.

22

23 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** OF REPAYING THIS LOAN.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE TO SAY I HAVE A LOT OF CONFIDENCE IN
2 -- I THINK THE OPERA RAISES MORE PRIVATE MONEY THAN ANY
3 ARTISTIC ORGANIZATION IN THIS COUNTY, AND BY A LARGE MARGIN.
4 YOUR PEOPLE ARE ENTHUSIASTS AND THEY'RE PASSIONATE AND THEY
5 PUT THEIR MONEY WHERE THEIR MOUTH IS. I HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT
6 THIS IS GOING TO WORK OUT. BUT, FRANKLY, IF IT DOESN'T WORK
7 OUT, WE ARE NO WORSE OFF THAN WE WOULD BE -- IF WE DON'T DO
8 THIS, WE WILL BE AS WORSE OFF TODAY AS WE WILL BE TWO YEARS
9 FROM NOW, THREE YEARS FROM NOW IF IT DOESN'T WORK OUT. BUT I
10 SUSPECT IT'S GOING TO WORK OUT. AND I THINK THIS IS A GOOD, AS
11 DISTASTEFUL AS IT IS, A GOOD ARRANGEMENT.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I AM CONCERNED. THE ONLY
14 CONCERN I HAD IS OF NOT BEING INFORMED WITH SUFFICIENT TIME.
15 OBVIOUSLY THIS IS SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN GOING ON AND IT'S SORT
16 OF LATE IN THE DAY. THAT'S MY ONLY ISSUE. AND I HOPE THAT
17 DOESN'T HAPPEN AGAIN.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I AGREE. IT'S A POLICY ISSUE.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THE SOLUTION AT THIS POINT IN TIME IS A
22 SOLUTION. BUT I THINK THE PROBLEM SHOULD HAVE BEEN PRESENTED
23 TO US EARLIER. SO, BUT WITH THAT -- OKAY. SUPERVISOR
24 ANTONOVICH.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE INTEREST ON THE LOAN, MR. FUJIOKA? IS THE
2 COUNTY RECEIVING THE INTEREST ON THE LOAN? OR IS IT THE BANK
3 RECEIVING THAT INTEREST?

4

5 **JAN TAKATA:** THE BANK.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE COUNTY NOT RECEIVING ANY REVENUES FROM
8 THAT?

9

10 **JAN TAKATA:** CORRECT. WE'RE NOT PUTTING ANY CASH TOWARDS THIS.
11 WE'RE NOT RECEIVING ANY INTEREST.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND AGAIN, ZEV HAD BEEN ON THE PHONE, THE
14 DISNEY HAD A BUILDING AS COLLATERAL THAT WE HAD; BUT HERE WE
15 DON'T HAVE ANY COLLATERAL. HOW MUCH -- WHAT IS THE PERCENTAGE
16 THAT YOU RECEIVE FROM PATINA AND THE OTHER CONCESSIONERS?

17

18 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** WELL, WE, THE MUSIC CENTER RECEIVE ABOUT \$1.3
19 MILLION A YEAR AT THE MOMENT FROM PATINA. IT'S ABOUT A 7
20 PERCENT OF THEIR GROSS SALES.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTION OR COMMENT?
25 ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM BEFORE IT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I MOVE APPROVAL OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'LL SECOND. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED
5 IS THERE ANY OBJECTION?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANY OTHER OBJECTION? ALL RIGHT. WITH
10 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTING NO, THAT ITEM IS APPROVED. THANK
11 YOU, GENTLEMEN.

12

13 **STEVE ROUNTREE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT WILL BE BOTH ITEMS 1-F AND 9.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES. THE MOTION WAS FOR 1-F AND 9.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT, FOR BOTH OF THOSE ITEMS.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THAT'S ALL I WAS HOLDING, MADAME
22 CHAIR.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR
25 SPECIALS?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, I HAVE A

3 NUMBER OF ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN

4 MEMORY OF MARVIN MARKER. HE WAS 74 YEARS OLD. HE WAS THE

5 FOUNDER AND HEAD OF THE LONG BEACH JUNIOR CONCERT BAND. I WAS

6 WITH HIM SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE BELMONT SHORE CHRISTMAS PARADE.

7 HE SAID TO ME, "WILL YOU AND YOUR WIFE BE IN THE DAISY LANE

8 PARADE COMING UP THIS SATURDAY?" AND I SAID "ABSOLUTELY." HE

9 SAYS, "I'LL SEE YOU THERE," BECAUSE HE ALWAYS EMCEES THAT, HAS

10 FOR YEARS. HE GOT ON A PLANE SUNDAY MORNING, LANDED AT DENVER,

11 COLLAPSED AND DIED OF A MASSIVE HEART ATTACK ON SUNDAY

12 MORNING. I MEAN, HE FOUNDED THE BAND IN 1952. WAS HONORED BY

13 THE LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL AS MUSIC MAN OF LONG BEACH IN

14 2007. IN THE EARLY '60S THE BAND'S OFFICIAL MEMBERS WERE FROM

15 10 TO 21 YEARS OLD. THE BAND WAS HIS FAMILY AND HAS PERFORMED

16 IN THE BELMONT SHORE. HE JUST DID THE HOLLYWOOD CHRISTMAS

17 PARADE. A LOT OF PEOPLE ATTRIBUTE TO WHAT THEY DO IN LIFE TO

18 MARVIN'S DISCIPLINE AND DEDICATION TO THE BAND. HE WILL BE

19 MISSED BY ALL. JUST SHOCKING. THEN WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF

20 RODOLFO PULIDO, WHO PASSED AWAY DECEMBER 2ND PEACEFULLY. HE

21 WAS A UNITED STATES NAVY VETERAN OF THE KOREAN WAR, A LOVING

22 HUSBAND, FATHER AND GRANDFATHER. HE WILL BE MISSED. HE IS

23 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ESTER; FOUR CHILDREN, RANDOLPH, MARISSA,

24 A GOOD FRIEND MARK, ROD. MARK IS ALSO A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER;

25 TWO GRANDCHILDREN, MALIA AND MARK. BE MISSED BY ALL. ALSO THAT



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1 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF NAO TAKASUGI, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
2 THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19 FROM COMPLICATIONS OF A STROKE. HE WAS
3 87 YEARS OLD. NAO WAS A LONGTIME OXNARD POLITICAL LEADER WHO
4 HAS MADE HIS MARK AS A BELOVED TOWN GROCER. HE WAS ELECTED TO
5 THE OXNARD CITY COUNCIL IN 1976, SERVED AS MAYOR FOR 10 YEARS.
6 WENT ON TO SERVE SIX YEARS IN THE STATE ASSEMBLY. HE ALSO
7 SERVED ON THE OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT BOARD, RETIRING ONLY LAST
8 YEAR. HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND
9 WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS DIGNITY AND HIS
10 GRACIOUSNESS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 57 YEARS, JUDY;
11 THEIR FIVE CHILDREN, SCOTT, RUSSELL, RON, TRICIA, AND LEA.
12 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. ILUMINIDA CARLOS, WHO
13 PASSED AWAY LATTER PART OF NOVEMBER. HE WAS A DEDICATED
14 PHYSICIAN FOR OVER 50 YEARS AT ST. MARY'S MEDICAL CENTER. SHE
15 COMPLETED HER INTERNSHIP AT ST. MARY'S. AND SHE RETIRED IN
16 1999, BUT CONTINUED SERVING ON ST. MARY'S ON MANY BOARDS AND
17 COMMITTEES. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, DONALD; TWO
18 CHILDREN, MICHELLE AND MICHAEL; TWO GRANDCHILDREN, LAUREN AND
19 JACOB; AND A BROTHER, SOLOMON. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
20 OF ELLA ELIZABETH BREARLEY, WHO WAS ONLY TWO YEARS OLD, PASSED
21 AWAY SOMETIME IN THE EARLY MORNING AFTER THANKSGIVING. SHE
22 LIVED IN LAKEWOOD, LOVED HER PIGTAILS, PASTA AND BLUEBERRIES.
23 OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY AT THIS VERY
24 DIFFICULT TIME. SHE WILL BE VERY GREATLY MISSED. SHE IS
25 SURVIVED BY HER PARENTS, JOSH AND MEGHAN; BROTHER, GRIFFIN;



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1 GRANDPARENTS, SKIP AND DONNA, STEVE AND DEBI, BERT AND CINDY.
2 ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF YVONNE FOSTER. SHE GRADUATED FROM
3 LONG BEACH POLY. SHE ENTERED THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE NURSE
4 CORPS THEN WORKED AT BELLFLOWER MEDICAL GROUP AND BELLFLOWER
5 KAISER MEDICAL CENTER, WHERE SHE WORKED FOR 28 YEARS. SHE IS
6 SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, JAMES, DARYL, DAYLE; GRANDDAUGHTER,
7 LOVELL; THREE BROTHERS, LEN, BYRON, AND DAN. ALSO WE ADJOURN
8 IN MEMORY OF DONNA HASS, WHO PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER 21ST,
9 SURROUNDED BY FAMILY. SHE GREW UP IN DOWNEY AND GRADUATED FROM
10 EXCELSIOR HIGH SCHOOL. SHE WORKED FOR THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
11 IN THE PLANNING AND BUILDING AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES
12 DEPARTMENT, SHE RETIRED FROM THERE. SHE ENJOYED MANY THINGS.
13 AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, JAMES; FOUR CHILDREN,
14 MARGO, JANICE, JIM AND TIM; THREE SIBLINGS, 10 GRANDCHILDREN,
15 AND MANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
16 MARGARET RHODES, A LONGTIME BELLFLOWER RESIDENT. SHE IS
17 SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, LARRY AND LONNIE; SEVEN
18 GRANDCHILDREN, 19 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND THREE GREAT, GREAT
19 GRANDCHILDREN; AND A SISTER, MARJORIE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
20 MEMORY OF OBDULLA ESCOBAR, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. SHE
21 IMMIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES MORE THAN THREE DECADES AGO,
22 CALLING LOS ANGELES HER HOME. SHE UNDERSTOOD THE VALUE OF
23 WORKING HARD AND GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY, MAKING OTHERS A
24 PRIORITY IN LIFE BEFORE HERSELF. SHE IS SURVIVED BY EIGHT
25 CHILDREN, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND 20 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN.



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1 FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LEROY WILSON, A WAR
2 VETERAN WHO PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER 24TH. HE WAS 18 WHEN HE
3 ENLISTED IN THE AIR FORCE AND SERVED IN THE KOREAN AND VIETNAM
4 WARS. HE WAS HIGHLY DECORATED WITH MANY MEDALS, INCLUDING THE
5 BROWN STAR. HE RETIRED FROM THE AIR FORCE AFTER 31 YEARS AND
6 WORKED WITH OUR UNITED STATES POST OFFICE. HE WAS AN ACTIVE
7 MEMBER IN HIS CHURCH AND WAS MARRIED TO HIS WIFE, AXIE, FOR 42
8 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SIX CHILDREN, MICHELE, CHERYL,
9 LEROY, JR., EDWARD, ANTHONY AND AZIEL; 11 GRANDCHILDREN; 14
10 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. SO HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. THOSE ARE MY
11 ADJOURNMENTS, MADAME CHAIR.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** LET'S SEE. I THINK I HELD.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU HELD A COUPLE OF ITEMS.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I THINK SO.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 25, 38 AND 48-A.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL CALL UP 25.



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S RIGHT. AND 44. WHICH ONE? I'M
2 SORRY.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL CALL UP 25 FIRST.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM NO. 25? DO YOU WANT A PRESENTATION?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** NO. JUST A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS FOR THE C.E.O. AND
9 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. IS THERE ANY COST INFORMATION
10 YET THAT'S AVAILABLE FOR THE BOARD'S REVIEW PRIOR TO OUR
11 APPROVAL OF THIS PROGRAM?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I HAVE PUBLIC WORKS STEP UP. I NEED -- I ALSO
14 ASKED -- I THINK JAN LEFT. WE HAD A FOLLOW UP WITH SOME
15 INFORMATION ON THAT LAST ITEM. I NEED JAN TO COME BACK AND
16 GIVE THE ANSWER TO THAT.

17

18 **MASOOD EFTEKHARI:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MASOOD
19 EFTEKHARI WITH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. WITH REGARDS TO THE
20 ADMINISTRATION COSTS, WE HAVEN'T YET DETERMINED WHAT THE COST
21 IS. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE HAD ASKED US TO SEE IF WE COULD
22 ADMINISTER THIS PROGRAM AS LEAN AS POSSIBLE. AS SUCH, WE ARE
23 STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW BEST TO PUT THIS PROGRAM
24 TOGETHER AND ADMINISTER IT. AS SUCH, WE DO NOT HAVE ANY COSTS
25 YET.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** SO YOU DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA THEN, HOW MUCH CONTRACT
3 COSTS WILL INCREASE TO COVER THE COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING THE
4 PROGRAM?

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6 **MASOOD EFTEKHARI:** I WAS SPECIFICALLY TALKING WITH REGARDS TO
7 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. THAT WE THE COUNTY WOULD BE BEARING ON
8 IT, BEARING ON. AS FAR AS THE CONSTRUCTION COST IS CONCERNED,
9 THE CONCEPT OF JOB ORDER CONTRACTING, WHICH IS AN AS-NEEDED
10 CONTRACT, IS SUCH THAT THE CONTRACTORS HAVE A SMALL NUMBER OF
11 CORE EMPLOYEES. ASIDE FROM THAT, THEY TYPICALLY SOLICIT
12 SUBCONTRACTORS BASED ON THE TYPE OF JOBS THAT WE ASSIGN TO
13 THEM.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M VERY FAMILIAR. BUT USUALLY WE HAVE A DOLLAR
16 AMOUNT ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROGRAMS.

17

18 **MASOOD EFTEKHARI:** CORRECT. THE SURVEY THAT WE CONDUCTED
19 TALKING TO THREE TO FOUR JOB-ORDER CONTRACTORS, THEY TOLD US,
20 BASED UPON THE TYPE OF PROGRAM THAT JOB-ORDER CONTRACT IS, IT
21 WORKS WELL WITH THE LOCAL WORKER HIRING PROGRAM CONCEPT. AS
22 SUCH, THEY EXPECT LITTLE OR NO ADDITIONAL COST. BUT THERE WAS
23 NO WAY OF QUANTIFYING EXACTLY WHAT THAT COST WOULD BE, IF
24 THERE IS MINIMAL COST.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SO THIS IS JUST -- I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT. SO
2 IT'S EVERY JOB CONTRACT OR IS IT A SPECIFIC AMOUNT?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THE PROGRAM IS WRITTEN FOR EVERY JOB-ORDER CONTRACT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. I'M OKAY WITH IT EXCEPT I THINK WE SHOULD
7 GET SOMETHING BACK AT SOME POINT, EITHER QUARTERLY TO LET US
8 KNOW WHAT THE COSTS -- I MEAN, IT'S VERY UNUSUAL FOR US TO
9 APPROVE SOMETHING WITHOUT SOME COST ASSOCIATED TO IT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT A REPORT IN SIX MONTHS OR
12 QUARTERLY?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** QUARTERLY. I THINK TO START WITH QUARTERLY.

15

16 **MASOOD EFTEKHARI:** SUPERVISORS, MAY I? WITHIN THE PROGRAM, WE
17 HAD STIPULATED THE REPORT BACK FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
18 WORKS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. IF YOU LIKE, OF COURSE, WE COULD
19 CHANGE THAT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** SINCE WE'RE DOING IT TODAY, I WOULD LIKE A
22 QUARTERLY BASIS.

23

24 **MASOOD EFTEKHARI:** QUARTERLY? SURE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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3 **MASOOD EFTEKHARI:** DEFINITELY.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL MOVE IT WITH THAT AMENDMENT.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. AS AMENDED, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
8 KNABE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THERE'S NO
9 OBJECTION. SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. THAT WAS ITEM 25.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. ITEM 44. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, I'LL ASK THE
12 C.E.O. THIS. I UNDERSTAND THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS
13 REQUESTED A CONTINUANCE, BUT I THINK IT'S BEYOND THE TIME
14 LIMIT THAT THEY NEED, WE NEED TO GET THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT
15 IN PLACE. AND SO I'M JUST ASKING -- I USUALLY DON'T OPPOSE A
16 MEMBER'S CONTINUANCE, BUT I THINK IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, WE
17 NEED SOME ANSWERS, BECAUSE WE DO NEED A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT IN
18 PLACE.

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS WILL EXPIRE THE
21 END OF THIS MONTH. ONCE THE ORDINANCE IS PASSED, IT WILL STILL
22 TAKE US 30 DAYS TO FINALIZE THAT ORDINANCE, SO THERE WILL BE A
23 SHORT PERIOD -- IF IT'S APPROVED TODAY, THERE WILL STILL BE A
24 SHORT PERIOD OF TIME WHEN THE AGREEMENTS WON'T BE IN PLACE.
25 THERE ARE SOME FEATURES IN THE AGREEMENT, NEW FEATURES IS ONE,



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1 THE GRAFFITI REMOVAL FEATURE THAT WAS PUT IN PLACE IN RESPONSE
2 TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S CONCERNS AND SOME OTHER ELEMENTS THAT
3 ARE -- THAT CANNOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL THE NEW AGREEMENTS ARE
4 PUT IN PLACE. NOT GOING FORWARD NOW WOULD MEAN OUR NEW
5 AGREEMENTS WON'T BE PUT IN PLACE UNTIL FEBRUARY, WHICH DOES
6 CREATE ISSUES, EVEN LEGAL ISSUES FOR EDISON TO BE ON OUR
7 PROPERTY.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** OBVIOUSLY I'VE GOT ISSUES THE SAME AS SUPERVISOR
10 MOLINA ON THE GRAFFITI REMOVAL. AND I JUST THINK WE NEED TO
11 MOVE FORWARD ON THIS ITEM, MR. ANTONOVICH. I KNOW YOU
12 CONTINUED IT, BUT IT'S BEYOND THE DATE DEADLINE FOR A
13 FRANCHISE. AND I'D LIKE TO SEE US MOVE FORWARD ON THIS
14 PARTICULAR ITEM.

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I WAS GOING TO SUGGEST WE DO MOVE IT FORWARD
17 BUT STILL RESPOND TO OR LOOK AT SOME OF SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH'S ISSUES ON A GO-FORWARD BASIS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** WE ALL HAVE THE SAME ISSUES HE HAS. BUT I DON'T
21 WANT TO JEOPARDIZE THE FRANCHISE OR THE GRAFFITI REMOVAL,
22 EITHER.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHICH I WOULD AGREE.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I THINK SOMEBODY ELSE FROM THE
2 PUBLIC HELD IT, TOO. BUT I WOULD ASK THAT WE MOVE FORWARD.
3 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** JUST A CLARIFICATION AS TO WHAT THE
6 RATIONALE FOR THE CONTINUANCE IS. MAYBE IF THAT WERE TO BE
7 CLARIFIED, IT COULD ESSENTIALLY GARNER WIDER SUPPORT. I DON'T
8 KNOW THAT THERE'S ANY EFFORT TO REDUCE. PERHAPS IT'S AN EFFORT
9 TO EXPAND OR ENHANCE ON WHAT EACH OF US MIGHT WISH TO
10 ACCOMPLISH IN OUR RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS. MR. ANTONOVICH, MAYBE
11 YOU COULD SHED SOME LIGHT ON THIS?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BILL, WHERE IS THE COUNTY IN THE PROCESS OF
14 AMENDING OUR CODE RELATIVE TO THE GRANTING OR FRANCHISES? DO
15 YOU KNOW WHERE WE ARE IN THAT?

16

17 **BILL DAWSON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR, BILL DAWSON AND CHRIS
18 MONTANA WITH THE C.E.O. THE RECOMMENDATION IS FOR A TWO-YEAR
19 EXTENSION.

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21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BUT HE ASKED US WHERE ARE WE WITH AMENDING THE
22 CODE?

23

24 **BILL DAWSON:** WE'VE HIRED COUNTY COUNSEL. COUNTY COUNSEL HAS
25 BEEN HIRED IN AND THAT PROCESS IS BEGINNING IN EARNEST NOW.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE A TIMELINE?

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4 **BILL DAWSON:** YEAH, PERHAPS 12 MONTHS.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU'RE LOOKING FOR ANOTHER 12 MONTHS
7 BEFORE WE HAVE THAT INFORMATION?

8

9 **BILL DAWSON:** YES, FINALIZATION OF THE RECOMMENDATION. AND THAT
10 WAS ONE OF THE REASONS FOR RECOMMENDING A TWO-YEAR EXTENSION.

11

12 **CHRIS MONTANA:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE APPOINTED OUTSIDE COUNSEL.
13 WE ESTIMATE IT WOULD BE FINALIZED PROBABLY WITHIN A YEAR.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. WHY WOULDN'T WE WANT TO WAIT UNTIL THAT
16 CODE AMENDMENT IS COMPLETE BEFORE WE APPROVE A NEW FRANCHISE
17 WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THIS ISN'T QUITE A NEW FRANCHISE. THEY HAVE A
20 FRANCHISE WITH US ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. AND WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO
21 DO IS TO PUT THE NEXT ONE IN PLACE. IT'S A CONTINUING
22 FRANCHISE. THIS ISN'T A BRAND NEW ONE. SO TO NOT PUT IT IN
23 PLACE RIGHT NOW WOULD PUT -- IT WOULD PUT THE COUNTY IN
24 SERIOUS JEOPARDY.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN IS THE AUDITING FOR THE YEARS 2001 TO
2 2005, FOR THOSE FEES PAID BY EDISON TO THE COUNTY, WHEN IS
3 THAT GOING TO BE COMPLETED?

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE WE'D HAVE TO HAVE THE AUDITOR-
6 CONTROLLER HERE, BECAUSE THAT OFFICE I BELIEVE IS HANDLING THE
7 AUDIT, RIGHT?

8

9 **BILL DAWSON:** I COULD SUGGEST, SUPERVISOR, THAT 30 TO 60 DAYS
10 IT SHOULD BE FINALIZED.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** A MONTH TO TWO MONTHS.

13

14 **BILL DAWSON:** YES.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHOULDN'T WE WAIT UNTIL THE AUDIT IS COMPLETE
17 BEFORE WE APPROVE A NEW FRANCHISE WITH EDISON?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** MY RESPONSE WOULD BE NO, THAT WE SHOULD GO
20 FORWARD NOW. OTHERWISE THEY WOULD NOT HAVE LEGAL ACCESS TO
21 COUNTY PROPERTY TO DO THEIR BUSINESS.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** EVEN THOUGH THERE'S A QUESTION RELATIVE TO
24 THE AUDIT?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL THOSE QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE AUDIT AND
2 THE COLLECTION OF FEES CAN BE RESOLVED EVEN IF WE PUT THIS
3 AGREEMENT IN PLACE RIGHT NOW.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE GRANTING FEE, WHICH IS BEING CHARGED FOR
6 THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING THE FRANCHISE, IS ONLY \$5,000. GIVEN
7 THE AMOUNT OF STAFF TIME SPENT ON THE FRANCHISE, WHY WOULDN'T
8 THE BOARD BE ASKING FOR A LARGER FEE THAT WOULD COMPENSATE FOR
9 THE DOLLARS THAT OUR STAFF IS ACTUALLY SUBSIDIZING EDISON FOR?

10

11 **BILL DAWSON:** IT'S A COMMON FEE THAT'S BEEN CHARGED IN OTHER
12 SIMILAR SITUATIONS, AND STAFF DID NOT INCREASE THE FEE.

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK ON THAT, GIVEN THAT IT'S A COMMON FEE
15 APPLIED TO SIMILAR TYPE OF FRANCHISES, THROUGH A SEPARATE
16 EFFORT YOU CAN INSTRUCT OUR OFFICE WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
17 TO REVIEW ALL THOSE FEES FOR APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENT. WE
18 HAVEN'T INITIATED THAT REVIEW AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE OTHER JURISDICTIONS GONE WITHOUT
21 FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS WITH NO INTERRUPTION IN STREETLIGHTS?

22

23 **BILL DAWSON:** THERE IS A REPORT THAT THERE WAS ONE OTHER
24 JURISDICTION WHERE A FRANCHISE LAPSED FOR ONE YEAR. THE REPORT
25 IS IT'S THE COUNTY OF VENTURA.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WAS VENTURA COUNTY.

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4 **BILL DAWSON:** AND SERVICE CONTINUED TO BE PROVIDED.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. SO I MEAN, VENTURA COUNTY WENT A YEAR
7 AND STILL HAD SERVICES MAINTAINED. MY CONCERN IS ABOUT VARIOUS
8 PROVISIONS AND THE EXTENSION OF THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT OR
9 BASICALLY -- AGAIN, WE DON'T HAVE THE COMPLETION OF THE CODE
10 AMENDMENT. WE DON'T HAVE A COMPLETION OF THE AUDIT FOR THOSE
11 FEES THAT WERE PAID FOR 2001. WE DON'T HAVE A REAL FULL,
12 COMPLETE REPORT ON THE AMOUNT OF STAFF TIME AND HOW EDISON IS
13 REIMBURSING THE COUNTY FOR THESE COSTS. WE TEND TO BE
14 SUBSIDIZING THEM AT THE EXPENSE OF OTHER VITAL PROGRAMS. AND
15 ADDITIONAL TIME IS NEEDED FOR THE CONSULTANTS, WITH THE
16 MEMBERS OF THE C.E.O. AND HIS STAFF AS WELL AS TO DISCUSS
17 THESE ISSUES, WHICH ARE VERY IMPORTANT ISSUES, WITH EDISON
18 REPRESENTATIVES. SO THE BOARD OUGHT TO TAKE THE NECESSARY TIME
19 TO HAVE IT DONE RIGHT AND NOT BE FORCED INTO A DECISION UNDER
20 TIME CONSTRAINTS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON, WHICH SOMETIMES IS
21 A TACTIC USED TO GET SOMETHING RUSHED THROUGH, LIKE BUYING A
22 CAR FROM AN UNSCRUPULOUS CAR DEALER. SIGN ON THE LINE THEN YOU
23 GET ALL THESE ADDITIONAL COSTS ADDED ON. SO THAT'S WHY THE
24 MOTION I HAD MADE IS TO CONTINUE IT TO JANUARY 12TH SO THE



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1 C.E.O. AND STAFF COULD BE MEETING AND TALKING WITH EDISON ON
2 THIS ISSUE AND THESE ISSUES.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T SUPPORT THAT. I'LL MOVE THE ITEM IF THERE
5 IS SUPPORT; IF NOT, THEN WE CONTINUE IT. AS RECOMMENDED.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BEFORE WE MOVE ON THAT, WE DO
8 HAVE A SPEAKER. WE HAVE MR. SACHS. IF YOU'D COME AND JOIN US?
9 AND, MR. SACHS, YOU'VE ALSO HELD 1-D, ITEM 32 AND ITEM 34 ALL
10 BY YOURSELF. SO WHY DON'T WE GIVE YOU THREE MINUTES TO ADDRESS
11 THIS ITEM AS WELL AS THOSE ADDITIONAL ITEMS?

12

13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR
14 APPOINTMENT. MY CONCERN KIND OF PIGGY BACKS A LITTLE BIT OF
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ONLY BASED ON THE MANAGEMENT OF
16 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON AND JUST FROM WHAT I KNOW LOCALLY
17 IN THE AREA WHERE I LIVE, REDONDO BEACH, AND THE FACT THAT
18 WHEN THE DEREGULATION OCCURRED, THEY WERE FORCED TO GIVE UP,
19 QUOTE/UNQUOTE, PRIME REAL ESTATE, A PRIME REAL ESTATE FACILITY
20 THAT'S GOING TO BE SHUT DOWN AND TURNED OVER INTO MAYBE
21 CONDOMINIUMS AND HOTEL PROJECTS. AND THE SAME LEADERSHIP OF
22 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON IS STILL BASICALLY IN EFFECT
23 RUNNING THE SAME COMPANY. IN ADDITION, THE GOVERNOR BOUGHT THE
24 TRANSMISSION LINES. WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT PUBLICLY IS



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1 OWNED, WHAT A FIASCO THAT TURNED OUT TO BE. THAT'S MY CONCERN
2 REGARDING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT TO MOVE ON TO 1-D?

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 1-D REFERS TO SOME WORK BEING DONE FOR
7 SOUNDPROOFING. AND AGAIN, ANYTHING CONCERNING WITH THE
8 AIRPORT, THE FACT THAT YOU CAN GET IN SO EASILY TO WORKING
9 ALONG WITH THE AIRPORT AND YET NOBODY IS STEPPING UP AND
10 ASKING WHAT EXACTLY IS GOING ON WITH THEIR EXPANSION AND THEIR
11 REMODELING? WE'VE HAD DIFFERENT STORIES COME OUT ABOUT THE
12 MASTER PLAN BEING THIS MIDFIELD CONCOURSE. THE ARCHITECTS
13 BUILT A MODEL SHOWING A MIDFIELD CONCOURSE AND A HUGE WALKWAY,
14 AND YET NEITHER ONE OF THOSE ARE GOING TO BE DEVELOPED. THEN
15 WE'VE HAD QUESTIONS REGARDING THE BRADLEY WEST TERMINAL, WHICH
16 WASN'T INCLUDED IN THE ORIGINAL COST. I'M JUST CONCERNED ABOUT
17 THE COSTS, THE FACT THAT IT'S LIKE A RUNAWAY FREIGHT TRAIN.
18 AND IT'S THE AIRPORT. AND NOBODY, NOBODY, NO POLITICAL
19 LEADERSHIP EXCEPT, EXCUSE ME, THERE ARE SOME, THE PEOPLE WHO
20 SIT ON THE TRADE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE, THINK THEY'RE DOING A
21 WONDERFUL JOB. BUT THE PRICE OF THE PRODUCT, THAT PARTICULAR
22 PROJECT WENT FROM 3 BILLION TO 8 BILLION AND NOW IT'S AROUND 5
23 BILLION. AND IT'S ANYBODY'S GUESS. AND SO BEING INVOLVED IN
24 SOUNDPROOFING FOR THE COUNTY, I DON'T KNOW. IT JUST RAISES A
25 LOT OF CONCERN.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. 34?

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NO. 32.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 32.

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** METRO GOLD LINE RIGHT AWAY. AND THIS REFERS
9 BACK, AGAIN, I REFER BACK TO THE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY THAT
10 WOULD HAVE BEEN STILL IN EFFECT EXCEPT SOMEBODY CHANGED THE
11 RULES. THE STATE LEGISLATION CREATED A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY
12 FOR THE GOLD LINE, WHICH WAS THE ORIGINAL BLUE LINE THAT WENT
13 FROM UNION STATION THROUGH PASADENA, PAST THE SIERRA MADRE
14 STATION, INTO WEST OF THE COUNTY TOWARDS CLAREMONT. AND, YET,
15 IT DISAPPEARED. IT ENDED. IT WAS SUPPOSED TO DISSOLVE WHEN THE
16 GOLD LINE MADE IT TO CLAREMONT. SO WE HAD A PROBLEM WITH A
17 BRIDGE IN UNION STATION THAT THE METRO, THE GOLD LINE
18 AUTHORITY PICKED UP THE REPAIRS ON. A, WHY IS THE COUNTY
19 INVOLVED IN RIGHT OF WAY REPAIR FOR A GOLD LINE PROJECT? B,
20 WHERE IS THE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY? C, WHAT IS THE FOOTHILL
21 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY DOING? AND, D, IT'S A METRO PROJECT.
22 WHY ISN'T METRO MAKING A DECISION HERE? THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WHAT WE HAVE BEFORE US IS A
25 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE TO MOVE THE ITEM. BILL, MR.



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1 FUJIOKA, I WANT TO BE RESPECTFUL TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S
2 REQUEST, BUT I THINK WE DO HAVE THE JEOPARDY OF GOING WITHOUT
3 A FRANCHISE THAT MIGHT LEAD TO SOME LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES?
4 AND SO I'M GOING TO SECOND SUPERVISOR KNABE'S MOTION. YES.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. FUJIOKA, IF WE HAD AN 18-MONTH EXTENSION,
7 WHICH WOULD GIVE YOU EIGHT MONTHS TO NEGOTIATE WITH EDISON
8 BASED UPON THE 12-MONTH STUDY THAT'S COMING IN ON THE CODES,
9 COULD THAT BE A REASONABLE APPROACH AS YOU ATTEMPT TO GET
10 REIMBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONEY THAT WE ARE PAYING IN STAFF TIME
11 AND ALSO TO INCORPORATE THE NEW CODE REGULATIONS THAT WILL BE
12 COMING FORTH FROM COUNTY COUNSEL IN 12 MONTHS? SO YOU HAVE AN
13 EIGHT-MONTH NEGOTIATING PERIOD?

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN DO THAT WITHIN THAT 18-MONTH PERIOD. IT
16 ALSO WOULD -- I THINK IT COULD ALLOW EVERYONE, INCLUDING
17 EDISON, TO FOCUS ON THESE CRITICAL ISSUES.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME AMEND THAT TO MAKE IT 18-MONTH.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT SATISFACTORY? THAT'S A GOOD
22 COMPROMISE AS LONG AS WE CAN PUT THOSE ISSUES ON THE TABLE, I
23 THINK WE ALL HAVE CONCERN. IS THAT ACCEPTABLE WITH YOU? ALL
24 RIGHT. THEN WE ARE GOING TO AMEND THE FRANCHISE CONTRACT FOR
25 18 MONTHS. ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT AMENDMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY



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1 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO
2 ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. THAT WAS ITEM NO. 44. I THINK WE'RE
3 READY, WE CAN MOVE FORWARD ON 1-D, ITEM NO. 32 AND 34. IF
4 THERE IS NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS. SUPERVISOR
5 KNABE?

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** LET'S SEE. I HELD ITEM 38.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ITEM 38?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST HAD A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS IN REGARDS TO THE
12 ITEM.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS YOUR QUESTION TO THE DEPARTMENT OR TO
15 THE C.E.O.?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** PROBABLY BOTH.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THIS IS WITH REGARD TO --

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21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE DEPARTMENT'S COMING UP.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** THIS PARTICULAR GRANT AS IT RELATES TO LOWERING
24 THE CASELOADS. OBVIOUSLY, I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT WE HAVE
25 THE OPPORTUNITY TO LOWER CASELOADS FOR AT LEAST A FEW OF OUR



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1 D.P.O.S, BUT I HAD A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. YOU KNOW, EITHER BOB
2 OR BILL, EITHER ONE, IS THE COUNTY FRONTING THE MONEY TO
3 REDUCE THESE CASELOADS AND BEING REIMBURSED AFTER THE FACT?
4 WHEN THE DEPARTMENT PROVES SUCCESS ON RECIDIVISM RATES?

5

6 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** THIS IS ACTUALLY A BLOCK GRANT TYPE OF
7 ALLOCATION FROM THE STATE. IT'S FEDERAL MONEY THAT'S GIVEN TO
8 CAL EMA TO DISBURSE TO THE COUNTIES ON A --

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** WHEN DO YOU GET PAID? I MEAN, DO WE GET THE BLOCK
11 GRANT UP FRONT? ARE WE FRONTING THE MONEY? THE WAY I READ THAT
12 WAS INTERESTING, BECAUSE IT APPEARED THAT WE HAD TO PROVE
13 SOMETHING BEFORE WE GOT REIMBURSED.

14

15 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** NO. ONE OF THE PARTS OF THE PLAN IS TO PRODUCE
16 A DOCUMENT WHICH WILL REALLY LEAD TO PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.
17 THE APPLICATION HAS TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE END OF THE YEAR.
18 AND ONCE THE APPLICATION'S SUBMITTED, THEN WE'LL GET THE
19 MONEY. IT'S A THREE-YEAR GRANT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WE'RE NOT FRONTING THE MONEY.

22

23 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** NO, SIR, WE'RE NOT.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SO OBVIOUSLY THEN, THAT WON'T CREATE ANY CASH FLOW
2 ISSUES.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, WE'RE NOT GOING TO ADVANCE ANY FUNDING.
5 SHOULD THAT SITUATION COME UP WHERE WE ARE REQUIRED TO ADVANCE
6 FUNDING FOR ANY REIMBURSABLE EXPENDITURES, WE WILL COME BACK
7 TO YOUR BOARD FOR SPECIFIC APPROVAL.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** SO THIS IS ALL UPFRONT MONEY FROM THE GRANT, WE'RE
10 APPLYING FOR A GRANT, THERE'S NO REIMBURSEMENT UNDER THE GRANT
11 THAT WE HAVE TO DO CERTAIN THINGS? THE GRANT IS UP FRONT?

12

13 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** YES, SIR. THAT'S CORRECT.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

16

17 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** YES, SIR.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED BY MYSELF. IF THERE IS
24 NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** LET'S SEE. ITEM 20.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 20.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** BEING HELD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, I'D LIKE TO ASK MR. RIZZO. JOHN RIZZO
8 IS HERE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, IF YOU'D JOIN US.

9

10 **JOHN RIZZO:** JOHN RIZZO, PRESIDENT OF MARINA TENANT'S
11 ASSOCIATION. IN COMPARING THE KINGSWOOD APARTMENTS, IN
12 COMPARING THE KINGSWOOD APARTMENTS TO THE BAY CLUB, THE
13 KINGSWOOD SOLD ABOUT FOUR YEARS AGO. IT WAS SOLD FOR \$87
14 MILLION. AND THEY PUT IN 23 MILLION IN IMPROVEMENTS. THE BAY
15 CLUB IS NOW WORTH ABOUT \$40 MILLION. THAT'S BEFORE THE
16 IMPROVEMENTS. IN 12 YEARS, THE BUILDING AND DOCKS, IN GOOD
17 SHAPE, AND ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THEIR LEASE, WILL BE
18 TAKEN OVER BY THE COUNTY, FREE AND CLEAR OF DEBT, TO GIVE THEM
19 A 30-YEAR EXTENSION AND LET THEM CHARGE MARKET RATES FOR 20
20 MILLION REMODELING AND \$100,000 FEE IS A VERY LARGE GIFT OF
21 PUBLIC FUNDS. ALSO, BASING THE PERCENTAGE RENTAL OF 14 PERCENT
22 APARTMENTS, 25 PERCENT SLIPS ON BOATS ON MARKET VALUE RENTS
23 EXCLUDES PUBLIC ACCESS TO THIS PUBLIC MARINA'S LAND AND WATER.
24 ALSO, THE COUNTY LOSES CONTROL OF PUBLIC LAND AND WATER BY NOT
25 CONTROLLING PRICES BASED ON FAIR RETURN ON INVESTMENT, WHICH



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1 IS IN THEIR CONTRACT. AND IT TURNS OVER PUBLIC LAND TO PRIVATE
2 INDIVIDUALS. YOU COULD DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS: DOUBLING THE
3 PERCENTAGE RENTAL TO 50 PERCENT FOR BOATS AND 28 PERCENT FOR
4 APARTMENTS, THEN CUTTING RENTS ON APARTMENTS AND SLIPS TO A
5 FAIR RATE OF RETURN ON INVESTMENT FOR LEASEHOLDERS. BUT AT THE
6 EXPENSE OF THE COUNTY AND USERS OF THAT LEASEHOLD, THIS DEAL
7 GIVES THE LEASEHOLDERS A VERY LARGE GIFT OF PUBLIC FUNDS, MANY
8 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF PUBLIC MONEY. ANY QUESTIONS?

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANY QUESTIONS BY THE MEMBERS? IF NOT,
11 THANK YOU SO MUCH, SIR. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
12 SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED BY MYSELF. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
13 SO ORDERED.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S ALL THAT I HELD.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THEN LET'S MOVE ON TO
18 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. YOUR SPECIALS?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** OH, YEAH. CAN I, POINT OF ORDER?

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, BEFORE WE DO THAT?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST TO CALL BACK UP 48-A?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 48-A.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** AGAIN, YOU KNOW, AS YOU HAD ON YOUR AGENDA TODAY
4 FOR YOUR FIRST MEETING, I HAD MINE LAST YEAR. I MADE MY TRAVEL
5 PLANS ACCORDINGLY AND WILL BE GONE OVER THE FIFTH OF JANUARY.
6 I WOULD ASK THAT WE JUST -- I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE
7 APPROPRIATE FOR US TO CANCEL THREE MEETINGS, NUMBER ONE. AND
8 THAT WE JUST LEAVE IT LIKE IT IS. I KNOW THAT SOME OF US HAVE
9 MADE TRAVEL PLANS. I KNOW THAT MR. FUJIOKA HAS ITEMS ON THE
10 22ND AGENDA BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR, THAT WE LEAVE IT LIKE
11 IT IS, THE 29TH AND THE FIFTH. AND WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK TO
12 WHAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS ASKING FOR BASED ON YOUR MOTION
13 TODAY FOR NEXT YEAR. BUT I WOULD JUST ASK THAT WE LEAVE IT
14 LIKE WE HAD PLANNED IT A YEAR AGO.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE THERE ANY ITEMS THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED
19 THAT WE COULD NOT VOTE ON AT THE FOLLOWING MEETING IN JANUARY?

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE AT LEAST THREE ITEMS THAT WE WOULD
22 LIKE TO SEND FORWARD THIS YEAR. I CAN GET A LIST OF THOSE
23 ITEMS AND THEIR AFFECTED PROGRAMS, BUT AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA I
24 THINK REFERRED TO IN OUR OPENING COMMENTS THAT WE NEED TO DO A
25 BETTER JOB WITH THAT TWO-WEEK REVIEW. AND SO THE ITEMS THAT WE



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1 HAVE IN PLACE COULD CONCEIVABLY GO FORWARD, AT LEAST ONE OF
2 THEM, NEXT WEEK. BUT WE HAVEN'T GONE THROUGH THAT REVIEW
3 PROCESS. BUT WE DO HAVE A COUPLE OF ITEMS THAT ARE CRITICAL
4 FOR -- THIS CALENDAR YEAR.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE COULD VOTE ON THOSE AT NEXT WEEK'S BOARD
7 MEETING?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'VE GOT TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE ALL READY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST DON'T THINK IT'S FAIR. I'M JUST SPEAKING OF
12 THE ISSUE OF FAIRNESS. WE MADE THE PLANS ACCORDINGLY A YEAR
13 AGO TO ALLOW THESE DATES TO MOVE FORWARD. WHY SHOULD I BE
14 FORCED TO MISS A MEETING? BECAUSE I PUT TRAVEL PLANS IN PLACE
15 BASED ON AN ACTION THIS BOARD TOOK A YEAR AGO, A YEAR AGO
16 TODAY. I MEAN, THAT'S ALL I'M SAYING.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'D STILL HAVE A QUORUM.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WHY SHOULD I BE FORCED TO
21 MISS A MEETING BECAUSE YOU WANT TO CHANGE THE DATE TODAY?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT THAT'S A VALID ISSUE,
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SO THE ISSUE AGAIN BEFORE US IS THAT
25 THERE ARE ITEMS THAT COULD COME UP ON THE 22ND, BUT THEY ARE



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1 ITEMS THAT COULD ALSO BE MOVED TO THE 15TH. THEN WHAT IS
2 BEFORE US, THEN, IS THIS BOARD, THEY DON'T SEEM TO BE THAT
3 URGENT. I HAVE A LIST OF THEM HERE. AND EACH OF THEM, FOR THE
4 MOST PART, COULD ALL BE MOVED OVER TO THE 15TH. ONE COULD BE
5 CONTINUED WITHOUT A PROBLEM FOR JANUARY. BUT THAT MEANS THAT
6 THIS BOARD WOULD GO DARK FOR THREE WEEKS. THAT PROBABLY IS THE
7 ISSUE HERE OR NOT. BUT, AGAIN, KEEP IN MIND THAT OF THE ITEMS
8 THAT WE'RE COMING IN FOR, ALL OF THEM COULD BE MOVED TO THE
9 15TH. SO IT'S SORT OF A MAKE WORK KIND OF SITUATION.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** THIS IS WHAT I HAVE A CONCERN WITH. HE'S NOT
12 ADVOCATING GOING DARK. HE'S ADVOCATING HAVING A MEETING ON THE
13 FIFTH AND NOT HAVING THE MEETING ON THE 22ND.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY
16 TO YOU IS THAT THAT IS -- AND YOU'RE OPPOSING THAT -- AND SO
17 I'M TRYING TO GET A SETTLEMENT OF THIS ISSUE. I'M JUST
18 PROPOSING AND SAYING THAT RIGHT NOW, THERE ARE THREE ITEMS,
19 MAYBE FOUR, THAT CAN BE MOVED TO THE 15TH. THAT ARE PREPARED
20 TO BE READY TO BE MOVED. THE ONLY EXCEPTION WOULD BE IS THAT
21 WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN TWO WEEKS' NOTICE ON THEM. THEY DON'T SEEM
22 TO BE THINGS THAT ARE THAT DIFFICULT TO DEAL WITH.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE 211 CONTRACT IS THE ONE THAT --

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THE 211 CONTRACT IS COMING UP AND SO ON.
2 AND SO A COUPLE OF ISSUES. AND THEN ONE OF THEM CAN BE
3 CONTINUED TO NEXT YEAR, SO IT'S NOT A PROBLEM. AGAIN, SO WHAT
4 IS REALLY BEFORE US IS: DO WE STAY WITH, AS SUPERVISOR KNABE
5 HAS MENTIONED, WITH I GUESS IT'S TIME-HONORED KIND OF
6 TRADITION THAT WE WILL CLOSE OR ADJOURN OUR MEETING FOR THE
7 22ND, I MEAN FOR THE LAST WEEK IN DECEMBER AND THE FIRST WEEK
8 IN JANUARY? OR DO WE CHANGE IT AROUND? MY ONLY CONCERN IS IS
9 THAT THESE ITEMS, THERE'S A VERY FEW ITEMS THAT WE NEED TO
10 HAVE DONE ON THE 22ND. BUT IT'S UP TO THE BOARD TO MAKE A
11 DETERMINATION.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL ABIDE BY ANYTHING. BUT I MEAN, YOU KNOW, IF
14 YOU'RE GOING TO CHANGE IT, WHY DIDN'T YOU CHANGE IT SIX MONTHS
15 AGO?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY, BUT THAT'S NOT ANYTHING I CAN
18 ANSWER.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. MY QUESTION IS TO MR.
21 ANTONOVICH. WE DID THIS A YEAR AGO.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE IT CAME TO EVERYBODY'S ATTENTION THIS
24 PAST MONTH. BECAUSE WE TRADITIONALLY DO HAVE TWO-WEEK, BEFORE
25 CHRISTMAS AND BEFORE NEW YEAR'S, IT WAS THEN BROUGHT OUT THAT



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1 THIS TIME WE'RE DEVIATING FROM THE TRADITION. AND THAT'S WHY I
2 RAISED THE QUESTION THAT WE OUGHT TO GO BACK TO THE
3 TRADITIONAL WAY WE HAD IT WHERE YOU HAD THOSE TWO BREAKS
4 BEFORE THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK WE OUGHT TO LEAVE IT THE WAY IT IS.
7 AND IT WILL BE A SHORT AGENDA ON THE 22ND. IF ANYBODY HAS
8 SOMETHING THEY NEEDED TODAY DO ON THE 22ND, I DON'T THINK
9 IT'LL BE -- THAT'S MY OPINION.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** I GUESS WE SHOULD CHECK. WE WILL HAVE A QUORUM ON
12 THE 22ND, RIGHT?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, WE DO. SO YOU WOULD BE SECONDING
15 SUPERVISOR KNABE'S MOTION.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF THAT'S A MOTION.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THEN IF THERE'S SOMETHING THAT ANY
22 MEMBER OF THE BOARD IS NOT GOING TO BE HERE ON THE 22ND AND
23 THEY WANT SOMETHING CONTINUED, WE'LL CONTINUE IT. WE'LL
24 RESPECT THAT.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO WE HAVE A MOTION BEFORE US.
2 AND AND THAT IS TO CONTINUE WITH THE GOING DARK ON THE LAST
3 MEETING.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** 29TH AND THE FIFTH.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IN DECEMBER AND THE FIRST MEETING IN
8 JANUARY. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD OBJECT TO THAT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY, AS NOTED. OBJECTED BY SUPERVISOR
13 ANTONOVICH. DID YOU OBJECT? [LAUGHTER.]

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AS NOTED, THAT ITEM IS --

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT?

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NOW, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR SPECIALS,
20 PLEASE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SOME ADJOURNMENT
23 MOTIONS. A VERY GOOD FRIEND, HE WAS A FRIEND OF THE COUNTY OF
24 LOS ANGELES, WAS QUITE INVOLVED WITH OUR PROTOCOL OFFICE AND
25 OUR OTHER 93 AMBASSADORS AND CONSUL GENERALS, AND THAT WAS THE



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1 HONORABLE VYTAUTAS CEKANASKAS, WHO WAS THE HONORARY CONSUL
2 GENERAL FOR LITHUANIA SINCE 1977. HE WAS A LONGTIME SOUTHERN
3 CALIFORNIA RESIDENT. HE WAS BORN IN LITHUANIA AND FLED THERE
4 WHEN THE SOVIETS TOOK OVER IN THE '40S, WAS THEN EDUCATED IN
5 EUROPE IN THE UNITED STATES, WAS AN ENGINEER HERE, AS WELL. HE
6 AND HIS WIFE, JANINA, AND THEIR THREE DAUGHTERS ARE QUITE
7 INVOLVED IN OUR COMMUNITY. A WONDERFUL MAN. HE WAS AT OUR LAST
8 CONSULATE CORPS DINNER THAT WE HOSTED EARLIER THIS YEAR. AND
9 HE WAS A GREAT AMERICAN. MARIE HARRIS, WHO WAS A GOOD FRIEND,
10 LONGTIME BOARD MEMBER OF THE VALLEY ECONOMIC ALLIANCE, A
11 COMMUNITY ADVOCATE. SHE WAS A STRONG ANCHOR OF MINE WHEN I HAD
12 PART OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS A CAREER
13 AS A FASHION DESIGNER, WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY.
14 AND AMBASSADOR WILLIAM WILSON, ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND OF OURS,
15 WHO PASSED AWAY. HE WAS THE FIRST AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO BE
16 APPOINTED TO THE VATICAN BY PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN.
17 AMBASSADOR WILSON WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH JOHN PAUL II WITH
18 THE GOAL OF RESTORING THE UNITED STATES' DIPLOMATIC TIES AND
19 ENDING COMMUNISM IN EASTERN EUROPE. HE HAD EARNED HIS MASTER'S
20 DEGREE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY, AND
21 DURING WORLD WAR II SERVED IN THE ARMY ORDINANCE CORPS AS A
22 CAPTAIN. HE WAS A CATTLE RANCHER, INVOLVED WITH REAL ESTATE,
23 MANUFACTURE, OIL DRILLING EQUIPMENT AND QUITE INVOLVED. AND IF
24 YOU REMEMBER, THROUGH THE HARD WORK THAT JOHN PAUL II WITH
25 RONALD REAGAN AND MARGARET THATCHER HAD DONE RELATIVE TO



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1 BUILDING UP THE NECESSARY SUPPORT TO BRING DOWN THE WALL IN
2 BERLIN AND FREE EASTERN EUROPE, HE WAS AN INTEGRAL PART OF
3 THAT LEGACY. AND JUST A WONDERFUL MAN. WILLIAM BAKER, CAPTAIN
4 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WHO WORKED
5 WITH THE COUNTY OVER 35 YEARS. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT HAD BEEN AT
6 SYBIL BRAND INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN. ANOTHER DEAR LADY, HER
7 HUSBAND HARRY SERVED AS ONE OF MY COMMISSIONERS, HARRY COOPER.
8 DOROTHY COOPER PASSED AWAY. THEY WERE QUITE INVOLVED AND HAD
9 BEEN INVOLVED IN OUR COMMUNITY. A FRATERNITY BROTHER OF MINE
10 FROM COLLEGE I HELPED PLEDGE, SKIP ISLEIB, PASSED AWAY
11 UNEXPECTEDLY ON DECEMBER 4TH. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
12 AND HIS TWO DAUGHTERS. ELAINE SULLIVAN LARKIN, LONGTIME
13 ARCADIA RESIDENT, HER FATHER WAS THE FORMER MAYOR OF ARCADIA,
14 THOMAS SULLIVAN. AND SHE HAD SERVED ON THE ARCADIA RECREATION
15 COMMISSION, SERVED TWO YEARS AS THE CHAIRMAN AND RECEIVED THE
16 GOLDEN APPLE AWARD FROM THE ARCADIA SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR HER
17 VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY. AND SHE WAS AN ACTIVIST WITH
18 THE P.T.A., THE HOLY ANGELS, SAN ANITA, HOLLY AVENUE, AND DANA
19 JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, THE GIRL SCOUTS, LITTLE LEAGUE, ARCADIA
20 HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTERS. SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF DUKE UNIVERSITY,
21 WHERE SHE MET HER HUSBAND, WHO WAS EARNING HIS DEGREE IN
22 POLITICAL SCIENCE. RICHARD "DICK" MADISON, FORMER MANAGER AT
23 LOCKHEED MARTIN, MANAGER WITH PALMDALE'S AIRPORT, SERVED IN
24 THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS IN WORLD WAR II AND WORKED FOR
25 33 YEARS WITH LOCKHEED MARTIN, WHERE HIS PROGRAMS WHERE HE



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1 WORKED INCLUDED THE CHEYENNE HELICOPTER, THE HAVE BLUE AND THE
2 F117 STEALTH FIGHTER. THE ROAD LEADING TO THE PALMDALE AIRPORT
3 WAS RECENTLY DEDICATED AS MADISON WAY IN HONOR OF HIS LEGACY.
4 HE WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN THE PALMDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. LEO
5 SIMICH, OF WALNUT, CO-OWNER OF SIMICH CONSTRUCTION. HE STARTED
6 HIS CAREER AS A LABORER, SUPERINTENDENT, WORKED FOR VIDO
7 ARTUKOVICH & SON FOR OVER 30 YEARS. AND STARTED AS A DITCH
8 DIGGER AND ENDED UP AN OWNER OF AN UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION
9 DEALING WITH WATER, SEWERS, STORM DRAINS IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND
10 HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY AND WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN
11 THE CROATIAN COMMUNITY. EVA SZORENYI, COMMUNITY LEADER,
12 ACTRESS IN THE HUNGARIAN NATIONAL THEATER. HER ACTING CAREER
13 STARTED IN THE EARLY '30S AND SHE STARRED IN OVER 20 MOTION
14 PICTURES. IN THE UNITED STATES, SHE APPEARED ON MANY
15 TELEVISION SHOWS AND ORGANIZED THE ANNUAL COMMEMORATION OF THE
16 1956 HUNGARIAN REVOLUTION. SHE HAD BEEN AT OUR BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS A NUMBER OF TIMES WITH THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS
18 EXPRESSING THEIR APPRECIATION FOR OUR SUPPORT OF HUNGARY'S
19 ADMISSION TO NATO. MARY JOE TROMBLE, SERVED AS THE PUBLICATION
20 DEPARTMENT AT THE HUNTINGTON LIBRARY. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE
21 AGE OF 86. SHE SERVED AS PRESIDENT AT ST. LUKE'S GUILD,
22 PRESIDENT OF SAN MARINO GARDEN CLUB. MEMBER OF SOCIAL SERVICE
23 OF LOS ANGELES AND THE CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY BOOK CLUB. SHE
24 SERVED IN PROBATE AND TAX LAW UNTIL THE AGE OF 92. ELVRIA
25 VIRTUE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 96, AND ENJOYED A LONG



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1 HEALTH-BLESSED LIFE. QUITE INVOLVED IN OUR COMMUNITY. DOROTHY
2 MCMULLIN REYNDERS, OF LANCASTER, A GRADUATE OF BONITA HIGH AND
3 BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY. SHE ALSO TAUGHT AT LANE PARK IN THE
4 CHILDREN'S CORNER. SHE WORKED FOR 20 YEARS AS A SECRETARY AT
5 THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF THE LATTER DAY SAINTS. AND JIM
6 LEVANDOSKI, FOUNDER OF PORTABLE WOOD BUILDINGS COMPANY, A
7 RESIDENT OF PEARBLOSSOM FOR OVER 30 YEARS. SURVIVED BY WIFE,
8 SALLY, AND THEIR FIVE CHILDREN. AND I HAVE A MOTION FOR A
9 REPORT BACK. RECENT REPORTS HAVE OUTLINED NATIONWIDE
10 BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION INADEQUACIES IN TEMPORARY AGENCIES
11 THAT PROVIDE STAFF TO HEALTHCARE FACILITIES. SO I'D LIKE TO
12 MOVE THAT THE C.E.O. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REPORT TO
13 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THE COUNTY'S CURRENT PRACTICES,
14 POLICIES, AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO BACKGROUND
15 INVESTIGATIONS. THIS REPORT SHOULD INCLUDE ALL TEMPORARY
16 AGENCIES PROVIDING STAFF UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY AND
17 THE DEPARTMENTS RECEIVING SUCH STAFF, BACKGROUND
18 INVESTIGATIONS COVERED IN THE REPORT SHOULD INCLUDE CRIMINAL,
19 PROFESSIONAL AND CREDENTIALING. AND IF WE COULD HAVE THAT
20 REPORT IN TWO WEEKS. WE HAD A DEAR FRIEND WHO RECENTLY PASSED
21 AWAY AT ONE OF THESE HEALTHCARE FACILITIES WITH A QUESTIONABLE
22 PROBLEM. SO A REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANYTHING ELSE?



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I KNOW THAT WE HAD S-2 --

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OH WAIT, ONE OTHER. REWARD MOTION. THAT THE
6 BOARD OFFER A \$25,000 REWARD IN EXCHANGE FOR INFORMATION
7 LEADING TO THE ARREST OR CONVICTION OF THE SUSPECTS
8 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSAULT OF A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY NEAR 2104-A
9 GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROAD IN CANYON COUNTRY. IT HAPPENED DURING A
10 TRAFFIC STOP. THE SUSPECT IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT CLAIMED HE DID
11 NOT HAVE A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR ID. WHEN ASKED TO STEP OUT OF
12 THE VEHICLE, HE FORCEFULLY ATTACKED THE DEPUTY AND ATTEMPTED
13 TO GET AWAY. A SECOND SUSPECT IN THE PASSENGER SEAT DID GET
14 OUT AND JOINED IN THE ATTACK, STRIKING AND KICKING THE DEPUTY.
15 THEY THEN RETURNED TO THEIR VEHICLE AND FLED THE SCENE. IT HAS
16 SINCE BEEN DETERMINED THAT THEY HAD USED STOLEN AND FRAUDULENT
17 DEBIT CARDS TO PURCHASE ITEMS AT LOCAL RETAIL STORES,
18 INCLUDING WAL-MART, CANYON COUNTRY JUST PRIOR TO THE ATTACK.
19 ADDITIONAL DEBIT CARDS WERE MADE IN STUDIO CITY, SUNLAND,
20 BURBANK, AND SUN VALLEY. THEY ARE DESCRIBED AS TWO WHITE
21 MEDIUM BUILT MALES. ONE OF THE SUSPECTS IS DESCRIBED TO BE
22 BETWEEN THE AGES OF 25 AND 30 WITH A GOATEE, THE OTHER BETWEEN
23 50 AND 55 YEARS OF AGE. THE CAR IS A WHITE 2007 TO 2009 NISSAN
24 TITAN FOUR-DOOR PICKUP TRUCK. THAT'S THE MOTION.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SO MOVED AND SECONDED. ON THE
2 OTHER, IT WAS JUST ASKING FOR A REPORT, SO WE CAN DO THAT, AS
3 WELL. ALL RIGHT.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE ONE MORE ADJOURNING
6 MOTION.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
11 JERRY HARRIS, DIED AT THE AGE OF 92 FOLLOWING A SHORT ILLNESS.
12 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LEAH; A DAUGHTER, BARBARA; AND A SON,
13 MARK; TWO GRANDCHILDREN, LOREN AND ISAAC; AND A BROTHER, LEN.
14 THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT ADJOURNMENT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE AN ADJOURNMENT, AS WELL, THAT CAME TO MY
19 ATTENTION. ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOHN ANDREW TALLEY, A LOS
20 ANGELES COUNTY FIREFIGHTER SPECIALIST, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
21 DECEMBER 2ND AT THE AGE OF 41 AFTER HE WAS TAKEN OFF LIFE
22 SUPPORT AFTER A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT ON NOVEMBER 28TH. HE HE IS
23 SURVIVED BY HIS FATHER, JERRY; HIS EX-WIFE, MYRA; AND HIS TWO
24 SONS, J.D. AND ANDREW. FIREFIGHTER SPECIALIST TALLEY BEGAN HIS
25 17-YEAR CAREER IN FEBRUARY OF 1992. HE SERVED IN FIRE



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1 PREVENTION FOR MANY YEARS AND RECENTLY TRANSFERRED TO FIRE
2 STATION 54. HE AND HIS FAMILY WERE BORN AND RAISED AND
3 CONTINUE TO LIVE IN THE LONG BEACH AREA. SO WE WANT TO SEND
4 OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO THIS FAMILY.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ALL
7 RIGHT. THANK YOU. ON ITEM S-2, I KNOW IT WAS BEFORE US AT 11
8 O'CLOCK, AND I'M SORRY I DIDN'T CALL IT UP. BUT ON THAT ONE, I
9 AM ACCEPTABLE WITH A RECEIVE AND FILE ON THAT REPORT. DR.
10 CLAVREUL, DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? AS SHE'S COMING
11 UP, LET ME DO MY ADJOURNMENT THEN. I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN THE
12 MEMORY OF LINDA FERRER, WHO WAS A RESIDENT OF THE FIRST
13 DISTRICT AND A LONGTIME EMPLOYEE WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S
14 DEPARTMENT. LINDA'S COUNTY CAREER SPANNED OVER 25 YEARS. HER
15 ENTHUSIASM, PROFESSIONALISM, AND POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOUCHED
16 COUNTLESS LIVES OVER THE YEARS. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST
17 CONDOLENCES TO HER FAMILY, FRIENDS AS WELL AS HER COLLEAGUES.
18 SO ORDERED ON THAT ADJOURNMENT. DR. CLAVREUL?

19

20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YEAH, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON THE REPORT, ON U.S.C.,
22 I'M KIND OF SURPRISED AT THE DECREASE IN PATIENT ADMISSION TO
23 THE BURN UNIT. I MEAN IT'S AN ACUTE DECREASE AS WELL AS THE
24 ADMISSION IN LABOR AND DELIVERY. THIS IS MORE THAN A
25 FLUCTUATION. MAYBE YOU SHOULD KIND OF --



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE ARE CHECKING. BELIEVE ME WE ARE.

3

4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BECAUSE YOU KNOW, LABOR AND DELIVERY
5 IS MONEY-MAKING FOR HOSPITALS, AND IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE MADE
6 MONEY. I WANT TO RESPOND ON THE MOTION SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
7 JUST GAVE. I READ THAT ARTICLE ABOUT THE TEMPORARY AGENCY. AND
8 IT'S ONE OF THE MOST BIASED INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS I HAVE SEEN
9 IN A LONG TIME IN A NEWSPAPER. I HAVE DONE A LOT OF RESEARCH
10 ON TEMPORARY AGENCIES, AND THEY ARE HIGHLY CONTROLLED. THE
11 JOINT ACCREDITATION GO TO EACH HOSPITAL DOING RANDOM CHECKING
12 OF THE QUALIFICATION OF TEMPORARY NURSES. AND I THINK A COUPLE
13 OF YEARS AGO WHEN WE CLOSED KING-DREW, MANY OF THE EMPLOYEES
14 HAD TO BE RETESTED NINE TIMES FOR BASIC SKILLS. SO I THINK THE
15 LEAST OF YOUR WORRY IS A TEMPORARY AGENCY. AND UP TO THAT DAY,
16 WE DON'T KNOW OUT OF THOSE EMPLOYEES WHO LEFT M.L.K. AND WHO
17 HAD TO TAKE THE EXAM NINE TIMES, HOW MANY ARE IN OUR OTHER
18 COMMUNITY HOSPITALS. AND YOU KNOW MYSELF, I THINK IF I HAD A
19 CHOICE BETWEEN A NURSE WHO IS ADDICTED TO DRUG OR SOMETHING
20 LIKE THAT VERSUS A PERSON WHO CANNOT -- WHO NEEDS NINE TESTS
21 TO PASS BASIC SKILL, BUT I WILL WRITE A REBUTTAL TO THAT L.A.
22 TIMES ARTICLE. BECAUSE LIKE I SAID, IT'S TOTALLY BIASED. THANK
23 YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. ALL RIGHT. WE
2 WILL RECEIVE AND FILE THAT REPORT. ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM THAT I
3 HELD WAS ITEM NO. 13. AND I HAVE A MOTION ON THAT, THAT I WILL
4 HAVE MY STAFF PASS OUT. I'M SORRY, 23. I APOLOGIZE. THE MOTION
5 IS THAT ON JUNE 13TH OF 2006, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
6 APPROVED MY MOTION TO ENCOURAGE THE CONCEPT OF DEVELOPING THE
7 EMERALD NECKLACE WITH PUBLIC WORKS FLOOD CONTROL, DEPARTMENT
8 OF PUBLIC PARKS AND RECREATION, WORKING IN CONNECTION WITH
9 AMIGOS DE LOS RIOS. SINCE THEN, ALL THE ENTITIES HAVE
10 COLLABORATED ON A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO ADDRESS AND
11 CLEARLY EXPLAIN EACH ENTITY'S ROLE IN AN EFFORT TO STREAMLINE
12 THE PROJECTS FOR AMIGOS DE LOS RIOS. STATE AND FEDERAL GRANT
13 OPPORTUNITIES WILL BECOME AVAILABLE IN EARLY 2010 AND MOST
14 GRANT PROGRAMS REQUIRE A C.E.Q.A. CLEARANCE OR CATEGORICAL
15 EXEMPTIONS. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
16 DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE DIRECTORS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
17 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, RESPECTIVELY, TO MAKE A
19 FINDING ON BEHALF OF L.A. COUNTY OR FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
20 THAT ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS IS CATEGORICALLY
21 EXEMPT UNDER CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOLLOWING
22 THE DETERMINATION THAT SUCH FINDING IS APPROPRIATE AND
23 FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH OUR OWN L.A. COUNTY COUNSEL.
24 PROJECTS TO BE CONSIDERED INCLUDE BUT ARE LIMITED TO, NUMBER
25 ONE, TRAIL SEGMENTS THREE MILES ALONG THE EAST BANK OF THE RIO



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1 HONDO RIVER FROM GARVEY COMMUNITY CENTER UP TO THE CHANNEL
2 PASS WHERE VALLEY BOULEVARD INTERSECTS THE RIO HONDO TO THE
3 UNION SPECIFIC RAILROAD TO THE NORTH. TRAIL SEGMENTS OF THE
4 THREE MILES ALONG THE EAST BANK OF THE RIO HONDO RIVER WHERE
5 THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CROSSES THE RIO HONDO ON THE SOUTH
6 TO PECK WATER CONSERVATION PARK WHERE THE SANTA ANITA WASH
7 ENTERS PECK LANE IN THE NORTH, AND THE 3.9-MILE TRAIL SEGMENTS
8 ALONG THE WEST BANK OF THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER FROM THINES
9 AVENUE TO THE SOUTH OF RAMONA BOULEVARD IN THE NORTH. THIS
10 SEGMENT CREATES COMMUNITY ACCESS POINTS FOR LOW INCOME URBAN
11 COMMUNITIES, THE SOUTH EL MONTE, BALDWIN PARK AND
12 UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY TO WALNUT CREEK, SAN JOSE CREEK,
13 AND THE FUTURE DUCK FARM AND THE WHITTIER NARROWS REGIONAL
14 PARK. I'VE ASKED FOR THOSE REVISIONS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
15 OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE OF GRANTS THAT WILL BE COMING UP IN THE
16 EARLY PART OF 2010.

17
18 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST HAVE THE ONE QUICK QUESTION. I SUPPORT THE
19 MOTION. BUT BY EXEMPTING C.E.Q.A., WE WILL FIND OUT IF THERE'S
20 ANY FLOOD CONTROL ISSUES, RIGHT?

21
22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY. BECAUSE IT'S DONE IN
23 CONSULTATION WITH THE FLOOD CONTROL.

24
25 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. I'LL SECOND THE MOTION, THEN.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO IT'S BEEN MOVED AND
3 SECONDED. IS THERE ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT? IF NOT, SO ORDERED
4 ON THAT ITEM. OKAY. WE HAVE ITEM NO. 13. THIS WAS HELD BY A
5 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS MR. SACHS. IS IT MR. SIMON?
6 MR. STEVEN SIMON, IF YOU'D JOIN US. MR. SACHS? OR MR. SIMON.

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** VERY QUICKLY. THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. THIS WAS
9 HELD FOR, WELL, PRIVATE CONTRACTORS, AGAIN. THE FACT THAT LAST
10 WEEK YOU ALLOCATED SOME FUNDING TO THE HUB 3 HEALTH CENTER FOR
11 THE WRITING OF REPORTS, I BELIEVE. AND WHY THEY WEREN'T, WHY
12 YOU WERE ALLOCATING FUNDING FOR A PRIVATE COMPANY TO WRITE THE
13 MEDICAL REPORTS THAT ARE NECESSARY FOR THE PATIENT TREATMENT,
14 WHY NOT INCLUDE IT ALL IN ONE ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA? AND AGAIN,
15 PRIVATE CONTRACTORS. I DON'T SEE S.E.I.U. HERE TO QUESTION THE
16 FACT THAT YOU'RE PRIVATIZING A CLINIC. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. MR. SIMON?

19

20 **STEVEN SIMON:** HI, STEVEN SIMON. I'M WITH S.E.I.U., LOCAL 721.
21 IT IS THE POSITION OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721 THAT THE BOARD SHOULD
22 NOT APPROVE THIS AGREEMENT UNTIL D.H.S. AND S.E.I.U. HAVE HAD
23 THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET ON THE ISSUE. FURTHER, IT IS OUR
24 POSITION THAT NO FINAL AGREEMENT WITH U.C.A., WITH URGENT CARE
25 ASSOCIATES, SHOULD INCLUDE CONTRACTED NURSE- PRACTITIONER



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1 POSITIONS, SINCE CURRENT COUNTY JOB CLASSIFICATIONS INCLUDE
2 NURSE-PRACTITIONERS, WHOSE WORK IS AN S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721
3 BARGAINING UNITS. THE COUNTY SHOULD LOOK INTO HIRING EXISTING
4 NURSE-PRACTITIONER POSITIONS FROM COUNTY ROLLS. WE FREQUENTLY
5 HEAR REPORTS FROM OUR MEMBERS THAT COUNTY HEALTH CENTER
6 EMPLOYEES ARE WORKING OUT OF THEIR JOB CLASS DUE TO A LACK OF
7 OPEN POSITIONS. AND IN ADDITION, THE JUNE 2009 POSITION STATUS
8 REPORT NOTES 11 VACANT NURSE-PRACTITIONER POSITIONS IN THE
9 SOUTHWEST CLUSTER WHERE HUMPHREY IS LOCATED. HUMPHREY IS A 16-
10 HOUR A DAY, 365 DAYS A YEAR FACILITY, BUT D.H.S. HAS NOT YET
11 DELIVERED A COMPLETE NURSING COMPONENT. DESPITE THESE FACTS,
12 THEY'RE MOVING FORWARD ON A CONTRACT WITH U.C.A. THAT WILL
13 PROVIDE NON-COUNTY NURSE-PRACTITIONER SERVICES AT HUMPHREY.
14 D.H.S. HAS NOT CONDUCTED A COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF THE
15 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CONTRACTING OUT THESE POSITIONS AND USING
16 COUNTY EMPLOYEES. D.H.S. CONTENDS THAT AS THESE POSITIONS ARE
17 ROUGHLY 34 HOURS A WEEK, THEY ARE NOT REQUIRED BY PROPOSITION
18 A TO CARRY OUT SUCH ANALYSIS. BUT GIVEN THE FACTS THAT WE'VE
19 ALREADY STATED, SUCH AN ANALYSIS IS APPROPRIATE REGARDLESS OF
20 WHETHER IT'S REQUIRED BY PROPOSITION A. THE FACT THAT D.H.S.
21 HAS NOT YET CONFERRED WITH LOCAL 721 MEANS THAT SEVERAL
22 QUESTIONS ABOUT THE U.C.A. CONTRACT ARE CURRENTLY UNANSWERED,
23 INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: WHAT ARE THE NUMBER OF SOUTHWEST
24 CLUSTER NURSE PRACTITIONER VACANCIES THAT APPLY TO HUMPHREY?
25 HOW MANY REGISTERED NURSES WHO ARE CURRENTLY ON THE LIST TO



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1 MOVE INTO NURSE PRACTITIONER POSITIONS ARE AT HUMPHREY? WHAT
2 ARE THE ADDITIONAL COSTS AND BENEFITS THAT THE COUNTY WOULD
3 INCUR IF THESE SERVICES ARE PERFORMED BY CONTRACT STAFF
4 INSTEAD OF COUNTY NURSE PRACTITIONERS? ARE THE NURSE-
5 PRACTITIONER JOB DESCRIPTIONS UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IDENTICAL
6 TO THOSE OF COUNTY EMPLOYED NURSE PRACTITIONERS? WHAT ARE THE
7 DETAILS OF THE SIX STATEMENTS AND PROPOSALS BY VENDORS WHO
8 RESPONDED TO THE REQUESTS FOR STATEMENT OF INTEREST? AND WHAT
9 ARE THE DETAILS ABOUT THE PERFORMANCE OF U.C.A. AT KING
10 M.A.C.C., WHICH D.H.S. CLAIMS INFORMED THEIR DECISION TO
11 CHOOSE U.C.A.? IN ADDITION, JUST QUICKLY, WHEN THE VOTE ON
12 THIS AGREEMENT WAS FIRST POSTPONED LAST WEEK, BOTH D.H.S. AND
13 THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AGREED THAT D.H.S. NEEDED TO MEET AND
14 CONFER WITH THE UNION BEFORE MOVING FORWARD. AT THE UNION'S
15 REQUEST, THEY ALSO CONSIDERED REMOVING NURSE- PRACTITIONER
16 SERVICES. BUT D.H.S. POSTPONED THE MEETING THAT WAS SCHEDULED
17 TO DISCUSS THIS AGREEMENT AFTER THE CONTINUATION. AND SO THE
18 FACT THAT D.H.S. HAS RECOGNIZED THE NEED TO MEET WITH LOCAL
19 721 BUT HAS NOT IS REASON TO FURTHER POSTPONE APPROVAL OF THE
20 AGREEMENT. THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO WHAT ARE THE WISHES OF THE
23 BOARD ON THIS ITEM?



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, IT IS MY SUGGESTION THAT WE
2 CONTINUE THE ITEM FOR ONE WEEK AND LET THE BALANCE OF THE
3 MATTER BE RESOLVED. I SEEK NOT TO MAKE ANY DETERMINATION AS TO
4 HOW NEGOTIATIONS WILL LAND, BUT I WOULD HOPE THAT A WEEK'S
5 CONTINUANCE WOULD DEMONSTRATE GOOD FAITH ON BEHALF OF THE
6 BOARD. LET IT COME BACK AND DISPOSE OF IT ACCORDINGLY.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I WANT TO UNDERSTAND. THERE WAS
9 A REQUEST FOR A MEETING. DID THAT MEETING HAPPEN?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** NO, SUPERVISOR. THE COUNTY POSTPONED THE MEETING OR
12 CANCELED IT.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE STAFF HERE WHO COULD SPEAK TO THE
17 CONTRARY. WHEN IN FACT WE ASKED FOR THE MEETING, THE 721 WAS
18 NOT AVAILABLE. THEY'VE HAD MANY PHONE CONVERSATIONS, EMAILS.
19 AND THE ONE THING I DO NEED TO HIGHLIGHT --

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHEN WAS THE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR?

22

23 **SPEAKER:** IT WAS FOR THURSDAY MORNING.

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHEN?



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2 **SPEAKER:** LAST WEEK THURSDAY.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** LAST WEEK THURSDAY?

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6 **SPEAKER:** CORRECT.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHAT TIME?

9

10 **STEVEN SIMON:** 9 A.M. WE RECEIVED WORD THAT MORNING.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THIS MEETING IS NOW SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY
13 AT 9 A.M. IS EVERYBODY IN AGREEMENT? THE MEETING IS NOW
14 SCHEDULED FOR THIS THURSDAY AT 9 A.M.

15

16 **STEVEN SIMON:** OKAY, THANK YOU SUPERVISOR.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THERE GOING TO BE A PROBLEM WITH THE
19 LOCATION? I CAN MAKE THAT DECISION, TOO.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THE VIRGIL OFFICE IS AVAILABLE.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHICH ONE?

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1 **SPEAKER:** VIRGIL OFFICE FOR THE UNION, THE UNION OFFICE IS
2 AVAILABLE FOR THURSDAY MORNING.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT YOUR OFFICE?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** YES, IT IS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY, LET'S FIND A NEUTRAL PLACE.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'D BE HAPPY TO HOST IT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT WILL BE HELD IN THE C.E.O.'S
13 OFFICE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S A NEUTRAL PLACE?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, IT'S BETTER THAN THE HEALTH
18 DEPARTMENT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S TRUE. HE'S GOT BETTER FOOD.

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THIS CONTRACT HAS BEEN IN PLACE FOR NINE
23 YEARS.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND. AND IT IS A -- BUT LET'S GET
2 THE MEETING DONE. IT'S GOT TO BE HONORED.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL DO THAT.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND SO IF YOU HAVE ANY PLANS ON CHANGING
7 THE MEETING, YOU BETTER LET ME KNOW. ALL RIGHT?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. AND CONGRATULATIONS ON
12 ASSUMING THE CHAIRMAN.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. SO THAT ITEM WILL BE
15 CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK. NOW WE HAVE TWO-HEARING ITEMS.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE DO, MADAME CHAIR. AND IF I COULD SWEAR
18 THE -- I BELIEVE THERE'S ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO IS OUT THERE THAT
19 WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY ON ITEM 46?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S FOR HEARING ITEM FOR 46
22 AND 47. ANYONE WISHING TO TESTIFY, PLEASE STAND? SINETTA
23 FARLEY, ARE YOU HERE? I ACTUALLY NEED HER TO STAND UP TO BE
24 SWORN IN, PLEASE. COULD YOU JUST STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT
25 HAND TO BE SWORN IN? IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS



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1 BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE
2 TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU.
3 ON ITEM NO. 46, THIS IS THE HEARING TO CONSIDER THE
4 REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND AMENDED FIVE-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
5 FOR THE WHITESIDE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DO WE NEED A REPORT ON THIS?

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE DO NOT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. VERY GOOD. MISS FARLEY.

12

13 **SINETTA FARLEY:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIRMAN AND THE BOARD
14 MEMBERS, OUR OWN HONORABLE RIDLEY-THOMAS. MY NAME IS SINETTA
15 FARLEY, I'M PRESIDENT OF EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ COMMUNITY
16 ASSOCIATION. I'M HERE THIS MORNING TO SPEAK IN OPPOSITION OF
17 THE PROPOSED FIVE-YEAR REDEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OF
18 2009 AND 2014. I'M REQUESTING ON BEHALF OF OUR ASSOCIATION
19 THAT THIS PLAN BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE MANY OF THE ITEMS, OR ALL
20 OF THE ITEMS AND PROJECTS THAT WERE IDENTIFIED IN THE FIVE-
21 YEAR REDEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OF 2004/2009. AND THE
22 REASON IS THAT MANY OF THE PROJECTS OF 2004 PLAN TO 2009 WAS
23 NOT IMPLEMENTED IN EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. AND I'M ALSO ASKING
24 THAT THE APPROPRIATE STAFF OF C.D.C. WILL MEET WITH OUR
25 COMMUNITY TO DEVELOP AN ACTION PLAN. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING



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1 THAT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IS REQUIRED. WE WERE NOT INVOLVED.
2 AND ON ONE OF THE MAJOR PROJECTS IN 2004-2009 PLAN WAS A SITE
3 FOR OUR NEW COMMUNITY SENIOR SERVICE CENTER. AND WE'RE NOW AT
4 THIS STAGE LOOKING FOR A SITE.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHERE WAS THAT LOCATED?

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8 **SINETTA FARLEY:** I'M SORRY?

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHERE WAS THAT LOCATED?

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12 **SINETTA FARLEY:** THE SITE? THE SITE WAS LOCATED ON ATLANTIC,
13 THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF ATLANTIC AND COMPTON BOULEVARD. IT WAS
14 PROPOSED IN THE 2004-2009.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. BUT THIS ONE, THIS REDEVELOPMENT
17 PLAN IS NOT INCLUSIVE OF THAT AREA.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT
20 IN FACT IT IS. CORRECT.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEN MAY WE HAVE AN ANSWER AS TO WHY IT
23 WASN'T INCLUDED?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THAT'S THE RESPONSIBILITY OF STAFF
2 TO ADDRESS THAT. AND I THINK THE QUESTION IS CERTAINLY
3 APPROPRIATE.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOU, BUT I THOUGHT
6 WE SHOULD GET THE ANSWER FIRST.

7

8 **SINETTA FARLEY:** OKAY.

9

10 **CORDE CARRILLO:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. CORDE
11 CARRILLO, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. THE SITE THAT MS.
12 FARLEY IS REFERRING TO IS THE EXISTING SITE AT COMPTON AND
13 ATLANTIC. WE HAVE LOOKED AT THAT SITE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS
14 WITH RESPECT TO SOME KIND OF REHABILITATION OF THE SITE AND
15 THE POTENTIAL FOR BETTER SERVICES AND MORE EXPANDED SERVICES
16 AT THAT SITE. WE HAVE TALKED TO MS. FARLEY, AND WE WOULD LIKE
17 TO MOVE FORWARD AND TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT IT.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. JUST SO WE CLARIFY ON ONE ITEM.
20 THIS IS ITEM 47 NOW. WE WERE ON 46. SO LET'S GO BACK. LET'S
21 JUST CLARIFY. THIS IS ITEM 47, CORRECT?

22

23 **CORDE CARRILLO:** THIS IS ITEM 47.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S JUST THAT I HAD CALLED UP
2 ITEM 46. NOW WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

3

4 **CORDE CARRILLO:** ITEM 47. IT WAS MY PLEASURE TO TALK TO MS.
5 FARLEY REGARDING OUR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR 2009. AND MY
6 UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THERE IS GOING TO BE AN EFFORT FOR A
7 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOW IN EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. AND WE LOOK
8 FORWARD TO THAT. THEY HAVE THEIR FIRST MEETING IN JANUARY AND
9 WE WILL ATTEND THAT MEETING. AND AS YOU KNOW FROM PREVIOUS
10 MEETINGS THAT WE'VE HAD, IMPLEMENTATION PLANS DO NOT KEEP ALL
11 OF THE PROJECTS IN. THEY'RE A SNAPSHOT IN TIME OF PROJECTS
12 THAT ARE UNDER NEGOTIATION, PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT
13 FORWARD BY THE COMMUNITY TO THE COMMISSION. AND IT'S BEEN AN
14 ITERATIVE PROCESS. THE FACT THAT A PROJECT MIGHT NOT BE IN AN
15 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN DOES NOT PREVENT US FROM MOVING FORWARD ON
16 A PROJECT. WE ACTUALLY COME BACK TO YOUR BOARD FOR THOSE
17 PROJECTS. IMPLEMENTATION PLANS ALSO, AS I HAD MENTIONED TO MS.
18 FARLEY, CAN BE AMENDED AT ANY TIME. SO WHAT I LOOK FORWARD TO
19 DOING IS ATTENDING MS. FARLEY'S MEETING IN, IS IT JANUARY, I
20 THINK?

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22 **SINETTA FARLEY:** FEBRUARY.

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24 **CORDE CARRILLO:** IN FEBRUARY. AND WE WILL THEN GO OVER THE 2009
25 PLAN, LEARN MORE ABOUT SOME OF THEIR DESIRES WITH RESPECT TO



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1 PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS, OBTAIN THAT FEEDBACK AND THEN COME BACK
2 TO YOUR BOARD, THEN, WITH ANOTHER AMENDED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN
3 FOR EAST RANCHO.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT ACCEPTABLE?

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, MADAME CHAIR.
8 AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT BEFORE THE MATTER IS DISPOSED OF,
9 IT WOULD BE IN ORDER. AND IF YOU REQUIRE AN AMENDMENT, I'M
10 PREPARED TO MAKE IT, THAT PURSUANT TO THE ADOPTION OF THIS
11 ITEM, THAT THE STAFF OF THE C.D.C. BE INSTRUCTED TO MEET WITH
12 THE OFFICE OF THE SECOND DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DOING
13 MORE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING TO FILL IN SOME OF THESE BLANKS AS
14 WELL AS TO ENHANCE THAT WHICH IS BEFORE US. IT DOES NOT ALTER
15 WHAT WE ARE OBLIGED TO DO LEGALLY, BUT IT DOES ENHANCE WHAT
16 CAN HAPPEN IN TERMS OF THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE
17 COMMUNITY, THE C.D.C., AND THE OFFICE OF THE SECOND DISTRICT.
18 I WOULD SO MOVE.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU'RE MOVING FORWARD
21 THE PLAN?

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23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU UNDERSTAND THAT IN THE PROCESS, THEY
2 WILL BE MEETING WITH YOU WITH REGARD TO THOSE ISSUES?

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4 **SINETTA FARLEY:** YES, I DO. I JUST WOULD LIKE TO SAY THIS, THAT
5 WE HAVE MET WITH OUR SUPERVISOR'S STAFF AND MANY OF THE
6 PROJECTS THAT WERE IN 2004 WE HAVE ALREADY DISCUSSED FOR THIS
7 NEW YEAR. SO WE ARE VERY AWARE OF THE NEEDS THAT WE HAVE IN
8 OUR COMMUNITY. AND WE HAVE BROUGHT THOSE ISSUES TO THE
9 SUPERVISOR, AND HE HAS ADDRESSED THEM. BUT I RECEIVED A NOTICE
10 OF THIS PLAN TO BE APPROVED TODAY, AND SO I WANTED FOR THE
11 RECORD ON BEHALF OF OUR COMMUNITY TO MAKE OUR CONCERNS KNOWN.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. OKAY. THEN THAT WILL BE DULY
14 NOTED. SO IT IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS,
15 SECONDED BY MYSELF, THAT WE CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MOVE
16 APPROVAL OF ITEM NO. 47.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

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20 **SINETTA FARLEY:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. ON ITEM 46, WE DON'T
23 HAVE ANYONE WHO WANTS TO -- DO WE NEED A REPORT?

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THIS ONE I, TOO, WILL CLOSE
3 THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MOVE FORWARD THE APPROVAL OF ITEM NO.
4 46. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ALL
5 RIGHT. AS I UNDERSTAND, THAT CONCLUDES ALL THE ITEMS BEFORE US
6 OTHER THAN PUBLIC COMMENT. OH, I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR MARK
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS DID NOT HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO HIS
8 ADJOURNMENTS.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. I
11 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS, DAVID MICHAEL
12 CHILDRESS, LONGTIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT AND FORMER COUNTY
13 EMPLOYEE WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY, BORN 1943 IN SANTA MONICA.
14 HE WAS A GRADUATE OF LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE HE RAN
15 TRACK AND FIELD. GRADUATED FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
16 LOS ANGELES WITH A MASTER'S IN PUBLIC HEALTH. HE WORKED FOR
17 THE COUNTY FOR OVER 30 YEARS AND RETIRED IN A SUPERVISORIAL
18 POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. WHILE SERVING
19 AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, HE LED AN INVESTIGATION
20 THAT RESULTED IN SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS IN CONVALESCENT AND
21 NURSING HOME CARE IN OUR COUNTY, WHICH WAS HIGHLIGHTED ON A
22 SEGMENT OF 60 MINUTES. HE ALSO WORKED AS A PARTNER IN THE
23 WILLIAMS TAX SERVICE FOR OVER 20 YEARS, ASSISTING PEOPLE WITH
24 ANNUAL INCOME TAX RETURNS. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS LOVE
25 OF HIS CHILDREN AND FAMILY, HIS LOVE OF THE BLUES, SPORTS,



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1 FISHING AND GOOD FOOD. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS
2 CHILDREN, TRACY, DAVID C., DAVID J., ONYE, TRACY, KWESI,
3 JOSHUA, AND CHRISTOPHER; HIS WIFE, TERRI; AND 13
4 GRANDCHILDREN, 13 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND A HOST OF OTHER
5 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. MADAME CHAIR, EUGENE CECIL COLFIELD,
6 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT WHO PASSED AWAY
7 RECENTLY, BORN IN 1923 IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. HE RELOCATED
8 TO CALIFORNIA WITH HIS FAMILY AS A SMALL CHILD. HE GRADUATED
9 FROM JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL, RECEIVED AN ASSOCIATE OF ARTS
10 DEGREE FROM INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL AND LATER THE
11 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF
12 THE MOUNT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH, SERVING AS A SUNDAY SCHOOL
13 SUPERINTENDENT, MUSIC DIRECTOR AND DEACON DURING HIS LIFETIME
14 OF SERVICE THERE. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM
15 1943 TO 1946 AND RECEIVED THE EUROPEAN AFRICAN MIDDLE EASTERN
16 CAMPAIGN GOOD CONDUCT AND VICTORY MEDALS, ALL THREE. HE WORKED
17 FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES FROM 1947 UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT IN
18 1984, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS A DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT WITH THE
19 CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. HE WILL BE
20 REMEMBERED FONDLY FOR HIS LOVE OF READING AND MUSIC AND HIS
21 LOVE FOR HIS FAMILY. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE,
22 ANITA; HIS SISTER MARILYN; HIS NEPHEW, GEORGE; AND A HOST OF
23 NIECES, NEPHEWS, COUSINS AND CLOSE FRIENDS. CARLENE COGGS,
24 LONGTIME LOS ANGELES RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY, BORN
25 IN 1921 IN CAMDEN, ARKANSAS. MISS COGGS RELOCATED TO LOS



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1 ANGELES IN 1947. SHE AND HER HUSBAND ATTENDED PROGRESSIVE
2 BAPTIST CHURCH, WHERE HE SERVED AS PASTOR. IN 1970, THEY
3 OPENED THE PROGRESSIVE HOME FOR THE ELDERLY, A SIX-STORY
4 SENIOR CITIZEN LOW INCOME APARTMENT COMPLEX. SHE SERVED AS THE
5 ADMINISTRATOR OF THE PROPERTY AND AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE
6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS. 1996 SHE OPENED P&P HOME FOR THE ELDERLY,
7 A SECOND LOW-INCOME COMPLEX FOR SENIORS AND SERVED AS THE
8 PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THAT PROPERTY. SHE WILL
9 BE REMEMBERED FOR HER EDUCATION AS WELL AS HER DEDICATION,
10 VISION AND LOVE, WHICH ALLOWED OVER 250 SENIORS TO ENJOY AN
11 AFFORDABLE, COMPASSIONATE LIVING ENVIRONMENT. SHE LEAVES TO
12 CHERISH HER MEMORY, HER SIBLINGS, KATHRYN AND GRADY; HER
13 CHILDREN, JANET AND TANDY; AND A HOST OF OTHER RELATIVES AND
14 FRIENDS. JOE HUBBARD, LONGTIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO
15 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. BORN IN 1936, MR. HUBBARD GRADUATED AS
16 VALEDICTORIAN FROM JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL, THEN ATTENDED
17 U.C.L.A. AND PEPPERDINE BEFORE ENLISTING IN THE UNITED STATES
18 ARMY. HE WAS A FOUNDING PARTNER IN L.A.'S FAMOUS CLUB AND
19 ENTERTAINMENT GROUP KNOWN AS MAVERICK'S FLAT, AND BECAME AN
20 ACCOMPLISHED ENTERTAINMENT, MUSIC AND EVENT PROMOTER, PRODUCER
21 AND MANAGER. ADDITIONALLY, HE FOUNDED SEVERAL LOCAL
22 PUBLICATIONS, INCLUDING "GOOD NEWS JOURNAL." HE WAS AN ACTIVE
23 COMMUNITY MEMBER WITH MEMBERSHIP IN SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS AND
24 WAS COMMITTED TO SEEING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY
25 DEVELOPMENT IN HIS NEIGHBORHOOD. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS



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1 DESIRE TO BRING REBIRTH TO THE WEST SIDE AFTER THE 1992 RIOTS
2 AND HIS LOVE FOR AND INVOLVEMENT WITH HIS GRANDCHILDREN. HE
3 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS MOTHER, ALICE; HIS SISTER,
4 ALICE; HIS CHILDREN, MARTIN, JOSEPH III, DAVID, MICHAEL, AND
5 JOSHUA; 10 GRANDCHILDREN, AND A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS AND
6 COUSINS. AND FINALLY, CERTAINLY NOT LEAST, MADAME CHAIR,
7 ELIZABETH MCCLELLAN, LONGTIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO
8 PASSED RECENTLY. MRS. MCCLELLAN WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE
9 EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS, AND WAS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER CONCERNED
10 WITH COMMUNITY NEEDS. SHE WAS ALSO A FOUNDING MEMBER AND CO-
11 DIRECTOR OF FRIENDS OF THE MARK TWAIN LIBRARY. SHE PROVIDED
12 STRONG LEADERSHIP IN A NUMBER OF NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVES,
13 INCLUDING THE NAMING OF THE 20TH LOS ANGELES COUNCIL DISTRICT
14 8 COMMUNITIES, THE FOUNDING OF A NEW RECREATION CENTER AT THE
15 GREEN MEADOWS PARK AND THE MANCHESTER STREETScape PROJECT. SHE
16 WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER DEDICATED ADVOCACY AND RESTORING
17 PRIDE AND DIGNITY TO THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES COMMUNITIES. SHE
18 LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER CHILDREN, ROSALIE, JACKIE,
19 ERNEST, SAMANTHA; AND A HOST OF FAMILIES AND FRIENDS AND
20 INDEED A GRATEFUL COMMUNITY OF WHICH I CONSIDER MYSELF TO BE A
21 PART. AND FINALLY, MAY I ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM NO.
22 19 AND REQUEST A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE, MADAME CHAIR?

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. OKAY.
25 THERE'S BEEN A REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM NO --



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** 19.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 19.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DISCUSSED IT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
7 HEALTH, THE H1N1? ONE WEEK.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RECONSIDERATION TO CONTINUE IT FOR ONE
10 WEEK?

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ONE WEEK, RIGHT.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED TO
15 RECONSIDER THE ITEM AND TO CONTINUE IT FOR ONE WEEK. IS THERE
16 ANY OBJECTION? SO ORDERED.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NOW WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. I'D LIKE TO
21 ASK IRENE PANG, MS. PANG, IF YOU'D JOIN US, OSCAR JOHNSON,
22 ARNOLD SACHS, I THINK WE HAVE ANOTHER CHAIR FOR ZETRA CORTEZ,
23 IF THEY'D PLEASE JOIN US. MISS PANG IF YOU'D BEGIN?

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1 **IRENE PANG:** HI, EVERYONE. MY NAME'S IRENE. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT
2 THE HUMAN RIGHTS. AND I HAD GIVEN IN [INAUDIBLE] HUMAN RIGHT,
3 10 YEARS AGO IT HAD BEEN MENTIONED THAT -- IN THE TIANANMEN
4 SQUARE THE U.N.'S AND THE U.N. ORGANIZATION. THIS MORNING WHEN
5 I HEARD ABOUT, HEARD AGAIN, UNIQUELY RECALL ABOUT THE PAST 10
6 YEARS THIS WORK, HUMAN RIGHTS NOT USING OR NOT MUCH IN
7 AMERICA. BUT COMPARE THE OUTCOME OF THE PAST 10 YEARS ARE NOW
8 FOR THE U.S. CITIZENS THE HUMAN RIGHTS HAVE BEEN HURT
9 SERIOUSLY. EVEN THE LEADERS OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT DECRY NOT
10 ONLY AGAINST THE HUMAN RIGHTS OVER THE U.S. EVEN THOUGH
11 WORLDWIDE ALSO AGAINST U.S. MISSION EVEN CAUSED -- TO OUR
12 SOCIETY. THE CITIZENS SUFFER FROM DECRY SUCH AS -- THE
13 PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REAL PROPERTY, PHYSICAL ATTACK, SO ON.
14 SO DIFFICULT TO ALL OF THE CITIZENS EVEN THOUGH ARE FED TO THE
15 SAFETY AND LIVING CONDITION. TO OUR NATION AND ALL THE
16 CITIZENS NEED TO TAKE DEFENSE ACT. THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SIR? MR. JOHNSON?

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20 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** OSCAR. NOT MISTER, OSCAR.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY?

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24 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** OSCAR, NOT MISTER. I'M OSCAR. OSCAR, NOT
25 MISTER.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. OSCAR.

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4 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** ANYWAY, I'M OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE OPPRESSED, I
5 SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR CULTURAL CHANGE.
6 I'D LIKE TO THANK GOD FOR PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. I'D LIKE TO
7 THANK GOD FOR HIS WIFE, MISS MICHELLE OBAMA. WE NEED TO END
8 CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT, END ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION. END
9 GOVERNMENT WASTE. WE NEED OUR GOVERNMENT MORE ACCOUNTABLE FOR
10 THE CITIZENS THEY REPRESENT. AS CITIZENS, WE THE PEOPLE NEED A
11 BIGGER VOICE IN GOVERNMENT THAN WHAT WE HAVE TODAY. WE NEED A
12 MORAL GOVERNMENT, WE NEED MORAL RELATIONSHIPS. WE NEED MORAL
13 PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS. US BLACK MEN NEED JOBS SO WE CAN MEET
14 FEMALES AND GET MARRIED AND RAISE CHILDREN, TRY TO DO THE
15 RIGHT THING. TOO MANY CHILDREN TODAY ARE BORN OUTSIDE WEDLOCK.
16 WE NEED TO END CONSTRUCTION FRAUD. RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND
17 REASONING. SEEM AS THOUGH THE ONLY TIME MEN AND WOMEN ARE
18 TOGETHER ARE BEHIND CLOSED DOORS. IT'S VERY DISRESPECTFUL TO
19 FEMALES TODAY BUT AS WAS A DAY IN MOSES'S DAYS AND PHARAOH'S,
20 THE SAME THING IS GOING ON TODAY. PHARAOH REPRESENTS WHAT AN
21 OPPRESSED GOVERNMENT. A FORM OF OPPRESSED GOVERNMENT. BUT
22 MOSES SAID PHARAOH LET MY PEOPLE GO. BUT PHARAOH KILLED THE
23 MEN AND HE LET THE WOMEN LIVE. BUT HE LET THE WOMEN LIVE FOR
24 HIS REASON, FOR HIS USE, TO BE USED FOR HIM. HE DID NOT
25 EDUCATE THE WOMEN. HE DID NOT RESPECT THE WOMEN. HE ABUSED THE



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1 WOMEN, MUCH FURTHER THAN THEY WERE. BUT ANYWAY, WE NEED TO
2 UNITE. UNITY IS THE KEY. UNITE FOR PROGRESS. UNITE FOR
3 SUCCESS. AND EDUCATION IS A MUST. WE HAVE BEEN MISEDUCATED.
4 BUT I COULD UNDERSTAND WHY POLITICAL SYSTEM CONTROL THE
5 EDUCATION SYSTEM. WE NEED A BETTER WAY TO OPERATE TODAY IN
6 AMERICA. THIS FORM OF OPERATION IS NOT GETTING IT. I SEE WHERE
7 PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS GOING OUT TO WAL-MART TODAY HE WAS
8 ON TELEVISION TEACHING ABOUT HEALTHCARE IN WAL-MART. BUT AS
9 THOUGH WE IN A PAPERLESS GOVERNMENT, PAPERLESS SOCIETY, FRAUD,
10 NOBODY ON PAPER, NOTHING ILLEGAL, HOW COULD EMPLOYEES SUE HOW
11 COULD AN EMPLOYEE ASK FOR HEALTHCARE WHEN THERE IS NOTHING
12 ILLEGAL? JUST WE NEED TO ADDRESS MORAL RESPONSIBILITY. WE NEED
13 TO ADDRESS PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY. END THE GENOCIDE OF THE
14 AFRICAN-AMERICAN PEOPLE. WE SEE WHERE MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA HAS
15 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF CONSTRUCTION WORK GOING ON IN LOS
16 ANGELES, BUT MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA IS VIOLATING THE LABOR LAW
17 ACT. HE IS NOT HIRING BLACK MALES ON THE CONSTRUCTION SITE.
18 BUT I CAN UNDERSTAND HOW COULD WE AS PEOPLE BE SO HIGH
19 UNEMPLOYED AND BE SO SATISFIED WITH OUR CONDITIONS? LOOK AT
20 SKID ROW EVERY DAY. NOTHING BUT FILTH AND CORRUPTION AND YOUNG
21 BLACK WOMEN AND MEN OUT THERE JUST GLORIFYING THEMSELVES IN
22 THAT HORRIBLE CONDITION. WE SHOULD END DRUGS ON SKID ROW,
23 CLEAN UP THE DRUGS OFF SKID ROW. BUT HOW COME WE SURE ASK THE
24 POLITICIANS TO CLEAN DRUGS OFF THE SKID ROW AND THE
25 POLITICIANS ARE PUTTING THE DRUGS ON SKID ROW.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT TO FINISH UP OSCAR?

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4 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S STILL THE FASTEST THREE MINUTES
5 I'VE SEEN, YOU KNOW.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, OKAY. WELL, I'M NOT THE CLOCK TIMER.
8 THERE'S A TIMER SOMEWHERE ELSE. MISS CORTEZ, BEFORE YOU BEGIN,
9 COULD WE CALL UP PATRICIA MULCAHEY?

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11 **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** I'M HERE.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. WELL, I HADN'T CALLED YOU UP YET.
14 WHERE IS MISS CORTEZ? SHE'S NOT HERE. MR. SACHS, ARE YOU GOING
15 TO JOIN US? AND THEN MR. EDDIE JONES. ALL RIGHT. MISS
16 MULCAHEY?

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18 **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** OKAY, THERE WAS A RECENT LAW THAT WAS
19 PASSED IN CONGRESS CALLED S511 THAT BASICALLY SAYS IF YOU
20 DON'T GET YOUR CHILDREN BACK IN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME YOU
21 LOSE THEM FOR GOOD. NOW WE SPOKE ABOUT THIS BEFORE, WE HAD
22 SOCIAL WORKERS COMMITTING PERJURY IN THE COURT OF LAW. YOU
23 HAVE CHILDREN THAT HAVE COMMITTED SUICIDE IN THE CARE OF THE
24 D.C.F.S. THERE'S ONE CASE WHERE A CHILD JUST RAN OUT IN FRONT
25 OF A CAR, I THINK THAT WAS IN THE NEWSPAPER IN LOS ANGELES



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1 TIMES, COMMITTED SUICIDE. AND THERE IS A CASE WHERE THERE WAS
2 ONE FOSTER CHILD THAT RAN AWAY FROM A GROUP HOME THAT WAS IN
3 LANCASTER. HE GOT RAN OVER AND KILLED ON THE FREEWAY. MY
4 DAUGHTER, SHE WAS SEXUALLY ABUSED ALSO. AND WHEN THEY TAKE
5 AWAY YOUR KIDS, THE CHILD SUPPORT TAKES MONEY OUT OF YOUR
6 PAYCHECK. SO WE WERE FORCED TO PAY FOR RAVEN'S SEXUAL ABUSE.
7 YOU TOLD ME THAT YOU WERE GOING TO LOOK INTO THIS. THAT HAS
8 YET TO BE DONE. THE REGIONAL CENTERS WERE WRITING -- WAS
9 CLASSIFYING KIDS AS HANDICAPPED THAT WERE TRULY NOT
10 HANDICAPPED. WE SPOKE ABOUT THAT BEFORE. AND NOT WRITING THE
11 ARMS LETTERS? I HAD A SOCIAL WORKER WHEN I TRIED TO VIDEOTAPE
12 MY AUTISTIC SON'S BRUISE IN HIS EAR, THE SOCIAL WORKER
13 BATTERED ME. THERE WAS A POLICE REPORT GENERATED ON THAT. SHE
14 LEFT A BRUISE ON MY ARM WHICH WAS 3 INCHES LONG. WHEN I TOLD
15 THAT SOCIAL WORKER I WAS GOING TO DO POLICE REPORT ON IT, HER
16 RESPONSE TO ME WAS "GO AHEAD. WE'RE SOCIAL WORKERS AND THE
17 COURT OF LAW WILL ALWAYS TAKE A SOCIAL WORKER'S WORD OVER A
18 PARENT'S." MY DAUGHTER, THE POLICEMAN SAT DOWN WITH MY
19 DAUGHTER, RAVEN, WHEN SHE WAS BEING ABUSED WITH THE FOSTER
20 FATHER, THAT WAS AN ILLEGAL ALIEN, SHE WROTE PRESIDENT BUSH.
21 AND I HAD TO BE THE ONE TO TELL HER, SHE SAID "MAMA, THAT MAN
22 NEVER WROTE ME BACK." SO I GO OVER TO -- NUMBER. BECAUSE IF
23 YOU DON'T GET YOUR KIDS BACK, YOU LOSE THEM FOR GOOD. I HAD
24 ONE SOCIAL WORKER TELL ME THAT THEY CLASSIFIED MY YOUNGER
25 DAUGHTER, KAYLA, WITH THE REGIONAL CENTER FOR THE HIGHER IF



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1 FEDERAL RATE. WHEN MY AUTISTIC SON WAS ALMOST STARVED TO DEATH
2 IN REGARDS TO BEING PLACED WITH BEVERLY BANKS, I WENT FLYING
3 DOWN TO THE D.A.'S OFFICE. I COULDN'T SEE STEVE COOLEY BUT I
4 SAW HIS SECRETARY. AND MY RESPONSE TO HIM WAS: WHAT DO YOU
5 THINK ABOUT THIS PICTURE OF MY AUTISTIC SON? HER RESPONSE WAS
6 THAT'S CHILD ABUSE. NOW MIND YOU, WE WERE NOT ONES THAT WERE
7 ABUSING HIM, YOU KNOW. ALSO, I HAVE HERE A FALSE SHERIFF'S
8 REPORT. THAT IS ILLEGAL, ISN'T IT? TO GENERATE A FALSE
9 SHERIFF'S REPORT IN REGARDS TO THE FOSTER FATHER, THAT IS AN
10 ILLEGAL ALIEN, BY THE NAME OF -- BY THE WAY, HE WAS REGISTERED
11 ON THE SEX OFFENDER LIST, HIS NAME IS CARLOS ALVARADO. AND IT
12 MAKES ME ANGRY BECAUSE WE HAD TO PAY FOR THIS ABUSE.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. LET'S SEE, THREE
17 ITEMS. MARIJUANA DISPENSARY. THERE'S BEEN ARTICLES IN THE
18 NEWSPAPERS IN THE THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY WANT TO PROSECUTE
19 IN L.A. FOR DISPENSARIES THAT SELL MARIJUANA BECAUSE STATE LAW
20 DOES NOT ALLOW THE SALE OF MARIJUANA. IT'S PRETTY AMAZING THAT
21 THERE'S QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT THE PUBLIC WAS VOTING FOR. I
22 WONDER IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT THE STATE
23 LEGISLATURE WAS PROPOSING WHEN THEY PUT THE LAW TOGETHER. BUT
24 THERE ARE CITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY THAT HAVE MARIJUANA
25 DISPENSARIES THAT QUOTE/UNQUOTE ARE OPERATING LEGALLY. WHY



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1 CAN'T THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY USE THOSE AS MODELS AND GO BEFORE
2 THE CITY COUNCIL IN L.A. BEFORE THEY GO AHEAD AND SHOOT
3 THEMSELVES IN THEIR OTHER FOOT AND SAY THIS IS WHAT YOU NEED
4 TO DO? THEY'RE LOOKING AT PROPOSING AN ORDINANCE TO SELL
5 MARIJUANA, TO NOT SELL MARIJUANA. THIS IS -- IF SOMEBODY HAD
6 SOME FORETHOUGHT WHEN THEY MADE THIS LEGISLATION UP, THIS
7 PROBLEM SHOULD NEVER BE IN EXISTENCE. BUT THE OPPORTUNITY TO
8 LEGISLATE OR TO GO TO COURT AND FILE CASES NEVER IS TOO FAR
9 OUT OF THE REACH OF THE POLITICIANS THAT RUN CALIFORNIA. THAT
10 BEING SAID, THURSDAY IS M.T.A. BOARD MEETING DAY. ONE OF THE
11 ITEMS WILL BE THE DOWNTOWN CONNECTER. THE M.T.A.'S COMPLETION
12 OF THE BLUE LINE. TO OFFER SEAMLESS TRAVEL FROM LONG BEACH TO
13 PASADENA. THE QUESTION IS: IF IT'S THE COMPLETION OF THE BLUE
14 LINE AND SEAMLESS TRAVEL FROM LONG BEACH TO PASADENA, THEN IT
15 WILL EVIDENTLY BE RUNNING ON THE PASADENA GOLD LINE SECTION OF
16 THE ROUTE THAT GOES FROM UNION STATION TO PASADENA. AGAIN, I
17 ASK THIS QUESTION: WHY IT WASN'T COMPLETED? WHY YOU HEAR
18 QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW YOU LEAVE -- HOW PEOPLE IN CONTROL GET THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO OVER AND OVER AGAIN COMMIT THE SAME MISTAKES.
20 WELL, THE PEOPLE WHO CREATED THIS ERROR, THIS BOONDOGGLE, NOW
21 COME BACK WITH A DOWNTOWN CONNECTER TO COVER THEIR MISTAKE OF
22 NOT BUILDING THE BLUE LINE BACK IN THE 80S FROM LONG BEACH TO
23 PASADENA AND THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE MORE MONEY IN THEIR HANDS.
24 IT'S A FIASCO.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. MR. JONES, I
2 APOLOGIZE.

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4 **EDDIE JONES:** WELL, GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE BOARD. BLESS YOU ALL
5 IN YOUR POSITIONS. YOU HAVE REALLY GREAT DECISIONS TO MAKE.
6 I'M EDDIE JONES, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CIVIL RIGHTS
7 ASSOCIATION. NINE YEAR OLD DAMARIA GRANT WAS HIT AND KILLED BY
8 A CAR ON RODEO ROAD WHERE DORSEY HIGH SCHOOL IS. I FOUGHT,
9 ALONG WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND WITH HERB
10 WESTON AND WE PUT A 75,000 STREET LIGHT THERE. IT'S CALLED THE
11 DAMARIA GRANT CROSSWALK. AT CRENSHAW HIGH SCHOOL, JUST LAST
12 WEEK, A 15-YEAR-OLD STUDENT WAS HIT ON CRENSHAW AND 50TH. HE
13 WAS HIT AND KILLED. HIS OTHER FRIEND IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION.
14 HIS NAME WAS GARRETT WHEELER. TODAY MYSELF AND THE CRENSHAW
15 FACULTY AND THE ENTIRE STUDENT, ALL THE STUDENTS FROM
16 CRENSHAW, WE ALL MARCHED OVER TO CRENSHAW AND 50TH TODAY AND
17 HAD A CANDLELIGHT VIGIL THERE TODAY. I LEFT THERE AND I
18 GATHERED WITH THE WORKERS FROM ALBERTSON'S FOOD MARKET WITH
19 THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE AND THE FACULTY FROM CRENSHAW AND
20 THE KIDS, AND WE PUT TOGETHER A PROJECT. THE PROJECT IS THAT
21 WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A BRIDGE RIGHT THERE. RIGHT THERE AT
22 CRENSHAW AND 50TH. BECAUSE THE CARS ARE GOING 60, 70 MILES PER
23 HOUR AND YOUNG WILLARD, WHO WAS A TRACK STAR, AND THE OTHER
24 YOUNG MAN WHO WAS A BASKETBALL PLAYER, THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO
25 DO THAT ANYMORE. THE PARENTS ARE WE ME. THEY'LL BE WITH ME



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1 AGAIN. AND WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR IS IF IT'S VEHICULAR
2 MANSLAUGHTER JUST LIKE THE YOUNG MAN ON 120TH AND MAIN THAT
3 WAS ON HIS MOTORCYCLE, I'M ASKING IF A MOTION COULD BE PUT ON
4 THE FLOOR TO PUT UP A REWARD FOR THE HIT-AND-RUN KILLER OF
5 RONALD SMITH WHO WAS HIT AND KILLED ON 120TH AND MAIN. WE GAVE
6 A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE AND A CANDLELIGHT VIGIL THERE FRIDAY.
7 WELL, FROM THE COMMUNITY, 500 PEOPLE, WE RAISED \$2,000 FROM
8 THE COMMUNITY, FROM THE TAXPAYERS, CONSTITUENTS AND
9 STAKEHOLDERS, AND DONATED THAT TO THE MOTHER TO HELP BURY HER
10 SON. THERE'S A PROBLEM WITH VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER AND HIT-
11 AND-RUN. AND I THINK THAT THE COUNTY BOARD CAN HELP TO PUT
12 THIS PROBLEM TO REST IF WE MAKE THAT A FELONY OFFENSE ON
13 EVERYONE WHO COMMITS THAT TYPE OF, IF THEY BREAK THAT LAW, I
14 JUST THINK THAT THERE COULD BE SOMETHING PUT IN PLACE TO WHERE
15 THERE CAN BE -- THEY HAVE TO SERVE THEIR TIME IF THEY'RE
16 CAUGHT FOR COMMITTING HIT-AND-RUN AND KILLING A HUMAN BEING
17 WHICH HAD A CIVIL, CONSTITUTIONAL AND HUMAN RIGHT TO LIVE. SO
18 IF THERE'S ANYTHING THAT THE COUNTY BOARD CAN DO TO PUT UP TO
19 MAKE A MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO PUT UP A REWARD FOR MR. RONALD
20 SMITH, BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T CAUGHT THE KILLER YET. THEY FOUND
21 THE VEHICLE, BUT NOT THE KILLER. AND THEN FOR GARRETT WHEELER,
22 RIGHT THERE AT CRENSHAW HIGH SCHOOL, WE WOULD LIKE TO --
23 FIRST, THE LIGHT IS ONLY 10 SECONDS LONG, SO THAT'S NUMBER
24 ONE. WE ASK FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CHANGE THE
25 LIGHT AND MAKE IT 30 SECONDS LONG. IN CLOSING, HOPEFULLY THE



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1 COUNTY CAN WORK WITH CRENSHAW HIGH, THE L.A. CIVIL RIGHTS
2 ASSOCIATION, THE URBAN LEAGUE AND EVERYONE ELSE TO HELP DO
3 SOMETHING TO PUT A BRIDGE THERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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7 **EDDIE JONES:** HAVE A GOOD DAY AND GOD BLESS EVERYONE.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE NEED TO, I GUESS IT'S
10 RECONSIDER ITEM NO. 44. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING IT IS AN
11 ORDINANCE. WE DID AMEND IT TO CHANGE THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT.
12 SO WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD WITH -- SO WE'LL RECONSIDER THE
13 ITEM. THERE'S NO OBJECTION. WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND AMEND
14 THE ITEM. AND THEN POST IT FOR NEXT WEEK. IS THAT CORRECT?

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16 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S ON ITEM NO. 44. YES.
19 BECAUSE IT'S AN ORDINANCE, WE HAVE TO DO IT FORMALLY IN THAT
20 FASHION. ALL RIGHT. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT WE'VE CONCLUDED
21 ALL THE ITEMS? THERE'S NO OTHER MOTIONS OR ANYTHING ELSE? ALL
22 RIGHT. WITH THAT, I WILL ASK THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO READ THE
23 APPROPRIATE CITATIONS TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION. THANK YOU.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
2 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
3 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, PUBLIC
4 EMPLOYMENT INTERVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR
5 APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL AS INDICATED ON
6 THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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